

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



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Reconciliation: Sat: 4:15–4:45 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:15 am; Wed: 5:45-6:15 pm

Parish Contacts

Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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Confraternity of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemecek 254-527-3615

Men's Prayer Group: Pete Zenner 512-863-4038

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, A.D. 2016



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	July 23	5:00 PM	†Stanley Havelka
Sunday	July 24	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	July 25	7:00 AM	†Larry Fruge
Tuesday	July 26	NO MASS	
Wednesday	July 27	7:00 AM	†Frank & Anastasia Knapek
Thursday	July 28	6:00 PM	†Virginia McMaster
Friday	July 29	6:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (healing)
Saturday	July 30	7:30 AM	†Joe & Mary Kreitz
Saturday	July 30	5:00 PM	For Life
Sunday	July 31	8:30 AM	Pro Populo

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Tabernacle and the side Altars are placed *in loving memory of Stanley Havelka* and are donated by the Louise Havelka family.

Mass Ministry Reminders

Saturday, July 30, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce

Lector: Leo Bringman

EM's of HC: Debbie Klaus, Keith Youngpeter, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Sunday, July 31, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Travis & Thomas Clawson, Caleb Stefek

Lector: Michael Vrabel

EM's of HC: James Nemecek, Jerry David, Lucille Nemecek

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

EMHC to Shut-Ins: July 31: Jerry David

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 24:	--Confraternity of Christian Mother's Meeting
Monday, July 25:	--NO Men's Prayer Group
Wednesday, July 27:	--Year of Mercy Book Study
Thursday, July 28:	--Finance Council Meeting
Sunday, July 31:	--5 th Sunday Collection for Jarrell Food Pantry

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of Joseph Bloomer (father to fellow parishioner, Thomas Bloomer), who died this past week. Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

Last Week's Collection(s)

July 17: Sixteenth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$3,215.25

Stewardship: *Sharing with others what God has given us.*

Parish Prayer Campaign for Church Vocations

is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, contact the parish office.

July 24 – 30: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

July 31 – August 6: Frances Nemeč

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet today** (Sunday, July 24) in the RE Bldg, immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before Mass. Planning for upcoming events will be discussed at meeting.

The **Men's Prayer Group will NOT meet** this Monday, July 25. Next class will be on Monday, August 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. For information, please contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

The **Year of Mercy Book Study Group will meet** this Wednesday, July 27, in the RE Bldg, at 7:00 p.m. For information, contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

Everyone is invited to St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church, in Katy, Texas, this Wednesday, July 27, at 6:00 p.m., for a **Czech Mass and Reception** in honor of this year's visiting Czech Deacons. If you plan to attend the reception, please consider taking a dish to share and RSVP to let them know you're coming (832-437-4077). More information can be found on the flyer on the church bulletin board.

The **Finance Council will meet** this Thursday, July 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

Next weekend – July 30/31 – we will have our **5th Sunday Collection for the benefit of the Jarrell Food Pantry**, which helps to feed those in need in our local community. Please be generous.

ATTN: Catechists and anyone else interested in helping in the CCE Program: we will have a CCE meeting next Sunday, July 31, in the RE Bldg, immediately after the 8:30 p.m. Mass. Contact Lucille D'Elia with any questions, etc.

SSCM Church in Granger invites everyone to a **Fried Chicken Dinner and Battle Dance** on Sunday, July 31, at the SSCM Parish Hall. Meal at 11:00 a.m. (\$9 adults / \$5 children). Dance from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. to music from Fritz Hodde & Fabulous Six and the Ennis Czech Boys (\$10/person).

Back-to-School Clothing Swap! We all know how expensive clothes are for our ever-growing children!! But maybe we can help with that cost. Bring your child(ren)'s / grandchild(ren)'s outgrown, gently used clothing and shoes to the RE Bldg, starting on August 1. As clothes come in, you will have the opportunity to look through them and hopefully find the size that your child now needs. We will accept clothes throughout the month of August and you can come in to check for more clothes again and again (during office hours or on the weekends after Mass). Contact Lucille D'Elia or the parish office for more information or questions.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held on Monday, August 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. Thank you to the Confraternity of Christian Mothers for preparing the meal.

Our new **Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group** will have their first **meeting on Thursday, September 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.** Everyone is invited to be a part of this group, which will consist of pro-life prayer and adoration time, as well as information and education on pro-life issues. It is our duty, as Christians, to promote life, from conception to natural end, and it all begins with prayer and education. For information or questions, contact the parish office, or our Pro-Life Coordinator, Chris Garlaso (860-689-3021, or cgarlasco@hotmail.com).

CCE: Parents – Mark Your Calendars! Classes for the 2016/17 school year will begin on **Wednesday, September 7.** Class time will run from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. – with Mass at 6:30 p.m. each class night. We still have several students who are not registered yet, so if you haven't already done so, **please pre-register as soon as possible** – Pre-K (age 4) and up. **We also need volunteers to be involved in many different areas of the Program (classroom help, event coordinators/helpers, etc.).** To register or volunteer, contact the Director, Lucille D'Elia, at 512-318-5149 or htdre@yahoo.com.

RCIA Classes to Begin on Tuesday, September 13 - RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -- a process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. It is a community journey that leads to a transformation of mind and spirit. The RCIA is mainly for non-Catholics who want to become Catholic, but adult Catholics who have not received all of the Sacraments (Communion, Confession, Confirmation) may also come into full communion with the Church through the RCIA process. Also, anyone who is already Catholic and would like to learn more about their faith are welcome to attend the classes, which will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg, beginning on Tuesday, September 13. Please call the parish office to register for the classes. If you would like to become Catholic or are Catholic and need to receive First Communion, Confession, and/or Confirmation, you will need to schedule an appointment with Fr. Stephen to register for the classes.

If anyone is interested in making a Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to another of the designated 'Pilgrimage Site' parishes in the diocese, please contact the parish office. If we have enough interest, then we can make plans to do this in the near future as a group.

Raffle tickets for Sale!!

Stop by one of the 'Raffle Ticket Tables' after Mass to pick up your Bazaar packet, which includes two books of raffle tickets for each parish family. Buy them for yourself or sell them to someone else. We would very much appreciate your efforts in selling tickets to your family members, coworkers, friends and neighbors! Tickets will be available at all of our weekend Masses, or at the parish office, if you need more. Sell, sell, sell!! 😊

Please take the time to read all of the included information in your packet, as it all lends to the success of our Bazaar – which accounts for a good portion of our annual operating income. Please also read the bulletin each week for more Bazaar announcements and updates.

Thank you, in advance, for your help and participation. For any questions about the Bazaar, please call the parish office.

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord be with each of you. This week, we celebrate the feast days of some very important saints. Monday is the feast of St. James, one of the twelve apostles. Tuesday is the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Friday is the feast of St. Martha, whom we heard about in last week's gospel. If possible, please try to attend Mass on Monday and Friday to celebrate these feast days. We will not be having Mass on Tuesday of this week.

In today's first reading, we hear about how Abraham's three guests continue on their journey to Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham's nephew, Lot, and his family, lived in Sodom. It was a place of immorality and disrespect. Many kinds of immoral behaviors were practiced there as well as total disrespect for the human person. People were very selfish and self-serving. The three angels who had visited Abraham were being sent to Sodom to destroy it. Abraham pleads with them not to destroy the city if they can find at least 10 good people there, and the angels agree. The reading of today ends at this point. However, if you read further in Genesis, you get the rest of the story. Apparently Lot's family was rather small. The angels visit Lot and stay in his home. While staying there, men from the city come and want their way with these angels, not knowing who they were. The angels make a bright light which blinds the men so that Lot and his family remain safe. The angels tell Lot to leave the city for it will be destroyed. God is merciful to Lot's family, but judgment comes upon everyone else.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that God is a good Father. He will only give us what is good for us. He will protect us on the day of judgement, as He protected Lot and his family. As Jesus says, we need to ask, seek and knock and God will give according to what is best for us. Sometimes, as we know, the answer is "no" because that is what is best for us at that particular moment. If we accept what He gives, then He is with us and helps us through all situations in life. May we respond in faith as Abraham and Lot responded to our Lord. Let us truly live the faith we profess knowing that the love of the Father is with us.

May the blessings of almighty God be upon you all.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

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 & dead



Jubilee Year of Mercy

By the grace of God's abundant mercy,
we are freed from our sins through the
Sacrament of Reconciliation!
His MERCY endures forever!
His LOVE is everlasting!



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

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

2 Corinthians 4:7

Things Fell Apart: Now What? ... Once, when I was visiting some friends, their daughter told me she wanted to draw a picture of me. But as she was doing so, she pressed so hard on her crayon that it broke in half. I looked at her and she said, "It's okay. Broken things are good, too." Then she took a broken part of the crayon and continued to draw.

"Broken things are good, too." That's the promise we have been given by faith. You and I are far from perfect, yet our amazing God will use us for great good upon the earth – even with all our brokenness. The situations in which we live and serve are imperfect and broken, too. Yet they hold life as well.

Sometimes we can't imagine being okay again or finding what we need to start all over. But the little girl understood an important truth: broken things are good, too.

Two Minutes Toward Meaningful Life

***Merciful God, I am but an earthen vessel, and I bring myself to you as I am – broken and imperfect.
Work through me, in me, in spite of me. I need you and I love you. Amen.***

Within Our Diocese ...

Catholic Social Teaching Corner – July 23/24, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – In today's Gospel the disciples ask Jesus to teach them to pray and he gives them what we call "the Lord's prayer. The Hebrew word which begins the prayer is "Abba" which translates to "papa" or "daddy". In other words, Jesus invites us as disciples to pray intimately with God. This intimacy with God implies intimacy with one another. If God is our father, then we have many brothers as sisters. In our prayer, do we remember to pray for their needs as well as our own? Is our prayer stretching us to embrace the needs of the poor, the needy and vulnerable throughout our world?

First Diocesan Women's Conference - *The Face of Mercy* will be held Aug. 27 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Helen Parish in Georgetown. Speakers include Kelly Wahlquist, Maria Johnson and Dr. Patricia Sulak. \$40/person in advance or \$50 at the door. Register online at www.austindiocese.org/face-of-mercy, or contact the Diocese of Austin at 512-949-2400.

Couples invited to Marriage Encounter - Married couples are invited to strengthen, renew and rekindle their marriage sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: July 29-31 at St. Thomas More Parish in Austin, Sept. 23-25 at the Wingate Hotel in Round Rock, or Nov. 11-13 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. For more information, visit www.austinme.org or contact Steve and Linda Jaramillo at (512) 667-9963.

The Rabboni Institute's 'Sarah's Hope & Abraham's Promise' will host a healing retreat for those suffering from the loss of a pregnancy through miscarriage or stillbirth, or from the loss of an infant. St. Martin de Porres Parish in Dripping Springs, Saturday, August 13, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For more information, see "Events" at www.RabboniInstitute.org or call (512) 736-7334. To register, visit <https://piercedretreat2016.eventbrite.com>. Scholarships available - email SarahsHope@RabboniInstitute.org.

EIM Workshops and compliance - Persons needing to attend an EIM workshop should go to <https://www.eappsdb.com> in order to find the workshop schedule and Sign Up for a Workshop. If you don't recall your User ID/Password, please use the Alternate Login option. If you have never submitted an EIM application (online or paper copy), use the above link to create your EIM account and complete the application. Attendance of a workshop is required every 3 years. If you are a victim of sexual abuse and have concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, please contact Emily Hurlimann at (512) 949-2447 to discuss an alternative workshop arrangement.

How to report an incident of concern - 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 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 Notice of Concern should be submitted to the diocesan Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Office at (512) 949-2400. The Notice of Concern can be found at www.austindiocese.org (click on REPORT ABUSE OR AN EIM CONCERN). Reports may be made anonymously.



Diocese of Austin Retreat Center
5602 HWY 317 N, Belton, TX 76513
254-780-2436 • www.cedarbrake.org

Upcoming Retreats & Events

Visit their website or contact them for specific event details.

Reaching Out:

Three Movements of the Spiritual Life

August 12-14 – Henri Nouwen views our spiritual ascent as evolving in three movements: loneliness to solitude, hostility to hospitality and illusion to prayer. The more we are able to understand our own struggles in these areas, the more fully we will be able to embrace a more prayerful and genuine life that is also open to others' needs.

Private Retreats – Time Alone with God!

Reserved – 8 private bedrooms for a self-guided silent retreat. Private rooms, shared lounge with kitchen, Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, Mass. Enjoy the solitude and serenity of Cedarbrake! The next private retreat is scheduled for **August 26-28**.

Catholic Charities is dedicated to helping people of all ages, faiths, ethnic backgrounds and economic circumstances and works to address the needs of residents in Central Texas. People of faith serving anyone in need by strengthening families and promoting respect for human dignity and life.

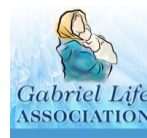


Did you know that half of Texas residents are just one crisis away from poverty? Crises such as job loss, medical bills, acts of nature, are all too common. Catholic Charities helps families to move from poverty to self-sufficiency through case management and emergency assistance. Learn more at www.ccctx.org or call 512-651-6126.



The Office of Pro-Life Activities of the Diocese of Austin seeks to bring the Gospel of life and love "to the heart of every man and woman and to make it penetrate every part of society".

Info on these Pro-Life Programs and more - visit the diocesan website, www.austindiocese.org.



Project Rachel Retreat

Project Rachel is a compassionate and confidential ministry that helps women and men suffering emotionally and spiritually from the trauma of abortion. Project Rachel retreats are offered throughout the year at private locations. The upcoming retreat will be held July 29-31 and is free of charge. For information, or to sign-up, contact Mary Helen at 512-949-2488.