

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



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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

Parish Contacts

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14, A.D. 2016



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Aug 13	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Aug 14	8:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of Catholic Life Insurance #50

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday	Aug 15	12:00 Noon	†Ruby Sykora
		7:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of K.J.Z.T. St. Agnes Society #15
Tuesday	Aug 16	6:00 PM	†Lillie Vrabel Westbrook
Wednesday	Aug 17	7:00 AM	†Louis Stojanik
Thursday	Aug 18	7:00 AM	†Deral Head
Friday	Aug 19	6:00 PM	Kip Heuertz (healing)
Saturday	Aug 20	7:30 AM	†Eliz Gibson
Saturday	Aug 20	5:00 PM	For Healing
Sunday	Aug 21	8:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Reminders

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, August 15:

12:00 Noon:

Altar Servers: Carter Marquis & Lucas Beyer

Lector: Henry Taylor

EM of HC: Jim Heuertz

7:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Jamie, John & Jenna Danek

Lector: Nancy Zenner

EMHC: Pete Z, James Nemecek, Lucille Nemecek

Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemecek

Saturday, August 20, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac

Lector: Leo Bringman

EM's of HC: J & M Heuertz, Jennifer Klepac

Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil

Sunday, August 21, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Carter M, Lucas Beyer, Caleb S

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: James and Ray Nemecek, Johnny Martinka

Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladeczek

Sunday, August 21: Holy Hour - 3:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John Danek & Caleb Stefek

EMHC to Shut-Ins: August 21: Ray Nemecek

Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate for Altar Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, please complete and return an 'Altar Flower Envelope' (by bulletins or from website).

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Aug 13/14: --'Back to School' CEF Enrollments
Monday, August 15: --Holy Day – Assumption of Virgin Mary
--NO Men's Prayer Group
Sat/Sun, Aug 20/21: --'Back to School' CEF Enrollments
Sunday, August 21: --Year of Mercy Holy Hour

Last Week's Collection(s)

August 7: Nineteenth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,618.97

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.

August 14-20: Parish Staff

August 21-27: Frank & Lucille D'Elia

Our **'Back to School' CEF Enrollment drive** will be held after Masses this weekend (August 13/14) and next (August 20/21) for those wishing to enroll their children, grandchildren, godchildren, etc, or even teachers, as they begin another hectic school year! Of course, enrollments for other occasions can also be made at this time. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card, and the donations benefit the education of our diocesan seminarians.

The **Men's Prayer Group will NOT meet** this Monday, August 15. The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. For information, contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

Join us next Sunday, August 21, for our monthly **Year of Mercy Holy Hour** with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, at 3:00 p.m. in the church.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** on Tuesday, August 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited. The Agenda for this meeting is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

The **Cemetery Committee will meet** on Tuesday, August 23, at 7:45 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

The **Pastoral Plan Committee will meet** on Thursday, August 25, at 3:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

We already have a good choice of clothing – including winter wear – available at the Back-to-School Clothing Swap! Don't forget to bring your child(ren)'s / grandchild(ren)'s outgrown, gently used clothing and shoes to the RE Bldg, during the month of August. As clothes come in, you will have the opportunity to look through them and hopefully find the size that your child now needs 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 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: Classes for the 2016/17 school year will begin on **Wednesday, September 7.** Register now for grades Pre-K (age 4) and up. **Volunteers for classroom help, etc, are needed, too.** Contact the Director, Lucille D'Elia, at 512-318-5149 or htdcre@yahoo.com.

RCIA Classes to Begin - 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.

Upcoming Festivals/Events at Surrounding Parishes:

- **27th Annual Rural Life Mass:** St. Mary's Church in West on Thursday, August 18. Mass at 6:00 p.m., celebrated by Bishop Daniel Garcia, followed by a dinner in their parish center. (301 S. Harrison St, West, TX 76691)
- **66th Annual Bazaar – St. Mary Church in Ellinger:** Sunday, August 28, at C of C Community Center (Hwy 71). Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner at 11:00 a.m. Plates \$10/adult and \$4/children. Raffle, games, silent & live auctions, music by Holub Polka Band.
- **Annual Parish Bazaar – SSCM Church in Granger:** Sunday, September 4, at Parish Hall. Mass at 10:00 a.m. in their newly restored church. BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner at 11:00 a.m. Stay all day for games, live auction and dance.
- **Annual Labor Day Fest – St. John Church in Fayetteville:** Sunday, September 4. Polka Mass at 10:00 a.m.; BBQ Beef, Pork & Sausage Dinner at 11:00 a.m. Plates \$10/adult and \$5/children. Auctions, games, music & dance to music by the Lost Cause Band.
- **Annual Fall Festival – St. Mary Church in Taylor:** Sunday, September 11, at the KC Hall (2201 E 4th St, Taylor), 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. – includes BBQ meal, live auction, gun raffle, games, music by Ed Kopecky & Fun Time Czech Band and Sterling Country Band.
- **Annual Homecoming Picnic – SSCM Church in Marak:** Sunday, September 11. Mass at 10:15 a.m.; Fried Chicken & Sausage dinner at 11:00 a.m. / \$10 a plate; games, live auction, polka music by Praha Brothers. (7 miles NW of Cameron, on FM 2269).

Bazaar Information:

We appreciate everyone's efforts in promoting and selling our Raffle tickets to your family members, coworkers, friends and neighbors! You can turn in ticket stubs and money at the Raffle table at each weekend Mass and additional tickets will be available as well. (You can also turn in stubs and get more tickets at the parish office during business hours.) **Sell, sell, sell !! ☺**

All donations for the Bazaar are now being accepted and, for your convenience, the PAC Bldg will be open after our weekend Masses for drop-off. You may also bring items to the parish office during regular business hours. Any questions about items needed, etc, can be answered at the parish office.

Here's a quick overview of what we need to make our event successful:

- † New items (valued at \$5 or more) for Bingo, Silent Auction and Toy Walk
- † New items for Live Auction – please contact Jacqueline Danek for all Live Auction questions or information (512-423-2598)
- † 2 Liter Sodas (any brand or flavor) for Ring Toss (need at least 100)
- † Monetary Donations to help offset the cost of groceries and supplies (envelopes are located by the bulletins)
- † WORKERS – the Bazaar is a fun day, but a full day, and we need everyone to pitch in and do what they can, where they can. Please refer to the Function Leader list in your Raffle Packet (also located on the church bulletin board) and contact the Leaders to volunteer your time and talents. There are jobs of all types ... indoor / outdoor, light duty, heavy duty ... something for everyone. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office.

*****We are changing this year's Set-Up.** The majority of the setting up – inside and out – will be done on Friday, September 16, 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. (function leaders, i.e. silent auction, bingo, etc, will still be able to work and set up on that Saturday). Just as we provide lunch for the Saturday workers, we will also provide hamburgers for all of the Friday night workers, so we need a good idea of who all is coming to work that evening. **Please contact Billy Beyer to sign-up for Friday Set-Up** (254-541-5992 or email beyer48billy@yahoo.com).

Thank you, in advance, for all of your help and support of our annual fundraiser! God bless!

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! Monday, August 15, is the Holy Day of the **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Mass will be held at 12:00 noon and at 7:00 p.m. Please plan on attending Mass as we celebrate Mary's entrance into Heaven.

This Wednesday, August 17, Deacon Ondřej Poštulka, Deacon Jan Berka, and Deacon Ladislav Bublán will return to the Czech Republic. We wish them a safe journey home and pray that they will be filled with the joy of Jesus as they minister to the people of the Czech Republic.

In today's second reading, the writer to the Hebrews tells us how Jesus endured the cross for the sake of the joy that awaited Him in Heaven, the joy of the resurrection. The writer also says, "In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood." Not too many people are willing to die for Jesus. We give into sin so easily and compromise our faith in order to keep peace among us. However, Jesus tells us in today's Gospel that households will be divided because of Him. If we are being faithful to Jesus and to His Church, we will certainly experience division, even in our own families. We will experience harsh words and hatred from others because we are trying to be faithful to Jesus Christ and His Church. We need to ask ourselves the question, "What is more important, keeping peace or remaining faithful to Jesus?" Jesus tells us it is more important to remain faithful to Him, even if it means that other people, including our own family, will not like us or will be against us. We must live our faith in a peaceful way, not getting angry at those who are against us because of our faith. We should give peaceful witness to Jesus Christ. What teachings of Jesus and His Church have we abandoned because do not want to cause any trouble for ourselves? I am sure all of us can think of something. Ask God to give you the strength to be faithful to Him no matter the price you must pay for doing so. As Jesus did, endure the cross for the sake of the joy that awaits you.

Blessings to all of you.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

Clerical Endowment Fund – Spiritual Bouquets

make appropriate gifts for any occasion (birthday, anniversary, death, graduations, sacraments, etc). You can contact our parish CEF chairperson, Janine Nemeč (512-863-6892) for enrollments any time.

Religious Articles Cabinet (in foyer of church)

is full of many wonderful items, for all occasions, which are available for purchase. You may contact the parish office, Louise Straka (512-746-5322) or Janine Nemeč (512-863-6892), to purchase an item in the cabinet, or to have item(s) ordered for you.

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

Jesus began to weep.

John 11:35

With Mercy, God Weeps With Us ... Some years ago, I was blessed to experience a thirty-day retreat. In one exercise, I was asked to sit with the Scriptures about Jesus' death and, in my imagination, picture myself there. The crucifixion was, for me, a vividly ugly scene. I saw Jesus on the cross, his face blotted with blood and spit, his body wracked with pain. He felt utterly alone in his pain. He was weeping.

The image of Jesus weeping on the cross changed forever my knowing of God. I could never again think that God was "aloof" or distant from human pain. Not only does God understand what it is like for us to suffer, the "all-powerful" God has actually chosen, in Jesus, to suffer *with us*.

That, in part, is why it is so important that we look at the face of suffering. In suffering, as in no other place, we see something of the astounding beauty of God's love. In Jesus, we see the God of self-emptying love who has chosen to embrace our every pain, to suffer what we suffer and even to die with us. Many times, as I have been with people who are grieving or suffering and who wondered where God was, I've sensed that God was right there, weeping with them! Though there is a great loneliness in suffering, we never suffer alone.

No One Cries the Wrong Way

***Merciful God, you know what it is like to be me. In Jesus, you have taken on our every suffering and pain.
Forgive me for ever thinking you were aloof or distant. Amen.***

Catholic Social Teaching Corner: August 13/14 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time: In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus points out that the decision to be a disciple will cause division and discord. The church embraces and upholds values that stand in stark contrast to the values of the world. Even within the church there are divisions and disagreements. This is because we are all sinners. Christ calls us all to conversion and in the process we will experience division and discord. The question is can we love those with whom we disagree as Christ taught us to do?

Presentation on the rosary by Father Becker: presentation on the rosary in celebration of the 100th anniversary of Fatima on Aug. 24 at 6:30 p.m. at Luna Hall at St. John the Evangelist Parish in San Marcos. He will lead participants in the praying of the rosary and reflect on various apparitions of the Blessed Mother. Everyone is welcome to attend and no registration is required.

Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton: offering private retreats the weekend of Aug. 26-28. Eight bedrooms will be available for self-guided silent retreats. A shared lounge with a kitchenette is available as well as confessions and adoration on Saturday evening and Mass on Sunday morning. Participants must bring their own food and spiritual reading. The cost is \$100 for a private room or \$160 for a shared room. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

"God's Purpose for You," a day of reflection, will be held Sept. 8 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Those who find it difficult to embrace God's love or who are struggling with shame, guilt or confusion are invited to this retreat where we will rediscover how we are each "fearfully and wonderfully" made. The cost is \$35, which includes lunch. To register or for more information, contact Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

Face of Mercy Women's Conference is Aug. 27: from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Helen Parish in Georgetown. The day of fellowship and prayer includes three dynamic Catholic speakers: Kelly Wahlquist, Dr. Patricia Sulak and Maria Johnson. This celebration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy includes Mass with Bishop Joe Vásquez, lunch, a great mix of speakers, and will close with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. The cost is \$40 per person in advance / \$50 per person at the door. Register online at www.austindiocese.org/face-of-mercy or call (512) 949-2492 for more information.

Young adults invited to reception with Bishop Vásquez: The Austin chapter of Young Catholic Professionals (YCP) and the diocesan Office of Young Adult Ministry invite you to the inaugural YCP Austin Cocktail Reception Benefit on Aug. 31. Bishop Joe Vásquez will be with us as we discuss how YCP Austin is working toward the goals of the Diocese of Austin Pastoral Plan. Details and a link to register to attend may be found at picatic.com/YCPBenefit2016. For more information about YCP, e-mail info@ycpaustin.org.

Workshop for those considering annulment: The diocesan Office of Canonical and Tribunal Services will host "Annulment: Pathway to Healing" Sept. 9 (from 7 to 9 p.m.) and Sept. 10 (from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at Emmaus Parish in Lakeway. This workshop is designed to be a spiritual and emotional healing experience for those who are divorced and considering an annulment. It is also designed help participants move on with their lives and their faith through a straight-to-the-heart response of acceptance, healing and understanding. For more information or to register, call (512) 949-2480.

Weekend for struggling couples: Are you and your spouse struggling with communication? Are things just not what they used to be in your marriage? Retrouvaille is a program for couples undergoing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or how to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Sept. 23-25, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.helpourmarriage.com.