

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

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

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21, A.D. 2016



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Aug 20	5:00 PM	For Healing (PR)
Sunday	Aug 21	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Aug 23	6:00 PM	Ray & Teresa Nemecek – In Thanksgiving
Wednesday	Aug 24	6:30 PM	Bernard Martine and †Tommy Rose Martine
Thursday	Aug 25	7:00 AM	†Daniel Bertsch
Friday	Aug 26	6:00 PM	For Life
Saturday	Aug 27	7:30 AM	†Virginia McMaster
Saturday	Aug 27	5:00 PM	†Bill Klepac
Sunday	Aug 28	8:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Reminders

Saturday, August 27, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EM's of HC: Fred Mullenbach, Keith Youngpeter, Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: John & Mary Ann Valenta

Sunday, August 28, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, William Fonville, Jarrod Hodgson

Lector: Michael Vrabel

EM's of HC: Jerry David, Pete & Nancy Zenner

Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemecek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, August 28: James Nemecek

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Tabernacle are placed **in honor of our teachers and students beginning the new school year**, and are donated by a parishioner. The flowers at the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph Altars are placed **in loving memory of Fred and Barbara Palousek**, and are donated by Mary Dale Putegnat.

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Aug 20/21:	--'Back to School' CEF Enrollments
Sunday, August 21:	--Year of Mercy Holy Hour
Monday, August 22:	--Men's Prayer Group
Tuesday, August 23:	--Pastoral Council Meeting
	--Cemetery Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 24:	--Year of Mercy Book Study Meeting
Thursday, August 25:	--Pastoral Plan Meeting
Saturday, August 27:	--PAC Playscape Workday
Sunday, August 28:	--Catechist Meeting
	--Confraternity of Christian Mothers Meeting

Last Week's Collection(s)

August 14: Twentieth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$3,447.25

August 15: Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary: \$1,272.00

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 21-27: Frank & Lucille D'Elia

August 28 – September 3: Andrew & Susan Klepac family

Our **'Back to School' CEF Enrollment drive** will be held after Masses this weekend (August 20/21) for those wishing to enroll their children, grandchildren, godchildren, etc, or even teachers, as they begin another school year! Enrollments for other occasions can also be made.

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

The **Men's Prayer Group** will meet this Monday, August 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

The **Pastoral Council** will meet this 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 this Tuesday, August 23, at 7:45 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

The **Year of Mercy Book Study Group** will meet this Wednesday, August 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

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

Saturday, August 27, is the day to paint and make improvements to the PAC Playscape! Members of Catholic Life Insurance, K.J.T. and K.J.Z.T. are asked to come out and help with this project. Please bring your paint brushes - - - and a few ladders will also be needed. Paint and drinks will be provided. We will start at 8:00 a.m. and hope to be finished by noon. Members of the parish are also encouraged to come and join us in this project. For more information, contact Tommy Sladeczek (512-635-3496).

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet next Sunday, August 28, in the RE Bldg immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before Mass.

There will be a **CCE Catechist Meeting** on Sunday, August 28, in the RE Bldg immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

You still have a couple of weeks to bring in and/or look through clothes at our Back-to-School Clothing Swap! Bring in your child(ren)'s / grandchild(ren)'s outgrown, gently used clothing and shoes to the RE Bldg, throughout 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.

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 are just around the corner and will begin on **Wednesday, September 7.** Register now for grades Pre-K (age 4) and up. For more information, contact our CCE Director, Lucille D'Elia (512-318-5149 or htcdr@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:

- **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 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 (would like to have 200)
- † 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 have some areas of the Bazaar that still need workers. A list of these areas and shifts is located at the Raffle Table - - - so please stop by after the weekend Mass to see where you can sign-up to work! You can also call 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).

ATTN: KOLACHE BAKERS: Containers for kolaches are in the church foyer. Each package has 10 containers to hold 1/2 dozen each. If you have not been contacted and are baking kolaches, please call Dorothy Klepac (512-746-2902) or Barbara Danek (512-746-2015).

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

Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! What beautiful rains we have been blessed with this week. Thank you Lord for the rain.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches 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. Last week we heard how we need to be a faithful witness of Jesus Christ and His Church. We heard of how we need to stand up for the truth and how we should be vigilant and watchful, prepared and waiting for the Second Coming of Jesus. In today's readings, these themes of remaining vigilant and watchful, of being prepared, continue. In today's gospel, we are told that if we are too overweight with sin and the baggage of this world, we will not fit through the "*narrow gate*". If we have not lived disciplined lives and have not properly prepared ourselves, as a football player prepares for the upcoming football season, then we will be **cut from the team, and left outside** and there will not be time enough for us to get into shape, to cleanse and purify our bodies. There will not be time enough to steam away and work off that weight of sin and there will not be time enough to drop the excess baggage of this world before the door closes and it is locked in front of us. Then we will cry out, "*Sir, open for us.*" and Jesus will say in reply, "*I do not know where you come from.*"

We must prepare ourselves and prove ourselves to be true followers of Jesus Christ. Jesus tells us in the gospel of Matthew, 7:21, "*Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven.*" Jesus also says in that same chapter that many will prophesy in His name but Jesus will tell them "*I never knew you*". This is because they did not do the will of God the Father. These were **false prophets** who prophesied not the truth of Christ, but only their own words and not the Words of Jesus. For us to be true witnesses and disciples of Jesus, we must lead discipline lives. By doing this, we will one day enter the Kingdom of God.

May all of us strive to enter through the "narrow gate". When we leave this world and approach the kingdom of heaven and say "*Sir, open for us*" let us not be told by Jesus, "*I do not know where you come from. Away from me you evildoers.*" Instead, may the words of Jesus be, "***With you I am well pleased. Come enter into my Kingdom.***"

Have a most blessed week being a true disciple of the Lord.

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

See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands.

Isaiah 49:16

In the Image of God ... A woman who had done missionary work in Alaska described the work of the Avilik ivory carvers. Before they ever touched a knife to the ivory, these carvers would gently hold the raw fragment, slowly turning it this way and that. Then they would whisper to the ivory, "Who are you? Who hides in you?" They were convinced that the forms of animals, people or various things to carve were contained within. Rather than force their will onto the ivory, they wanted to draw out of it the truth that is already there.

Who hides in you? What a wonderful question! Though it is not usually the first question we think of, I would encourage people to ask the same question of our suffering, "Who hides in you?"

In our losses, we are invited to stand with faith and to choose to trust that there is more here than the pain. Hidden in our suffering is the very love of God.

No One Cries the Wrong Way

***Merciful God, you have made a home in human suffering.
Help me to see you in all the broken places, in all your distressing disguises. Amen.***

Catholic Social Teaching Corner: August 20/21 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds the people of his time that their status as "the chosen people" did not guarantee admission to God's Kingdom. That is true of us as well. God's kingdom is given as gift, but to accept the gift we must faithfully follow Jesus through the narrow door, which means living in him and for him in everything we do. That narrow door includes our love and care for the poor and vulnerable. Are we strong enough to be servants to the least as Jesus was?

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.