

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: 4:00–4:45 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:15 am; Wed: 5:45-6:15 pm

Parish Contacts

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, A.D. 2016



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 10	5:00 PM	†Victor Palousek, Jr.
Sunday	Sept 11	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Sept 12	7:00 AM	Conner, Marshall & Brielle Cooke
Tuesday	Sept 13	6:00 PM	†Joe & Philomina Dubec
Wednesday	Sept 14	6:30 PM	Kip Heuertz (healing)
Thursday	Sept 15	7:00 AM	Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Friday	Sept 16	6:00 PM	†Larry Cook
Saturday	Sept 17	7:30 AM	†Raymond Angell
Saturday	Sept 17	5:00 PM	†Johnnie Simek
Sunday	Sept 18	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 18	10:30 AM	†Bill & Margie (Sladeczek) Stefek

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix and the Tabernacle are placed in honor of **Nolan & Stephanie Dodson** for their **1st Wedding Anniversary** and are donated by the Gene & Deanna Fojtik family.

This Week at a Glance

Monday, September 12:	--Men's Prayer Group
Tuesday, September 13:	--RCIA Class
Wednesday, September 14:	--CCE Classes
Friday, September 16:	--Bazaar Set-Up
Sat/Sun, Sept 17/18:	--Special Collection
Sunday, September 18:	--Parish Bazaar

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: John Bruce, Jarrod H, Lucas B

Lector: Janine Nemec

EMHC: Lucille Nemec

Gift Bearers: Confirmation 2

Saturday, September 17, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Jim & Mary M Heuertz, Debbie Klaus

Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil

Sunday, September 18, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Carter M, Lucas B, Caleb S

Lector: Henry Taylor

EMHC: Johnny Martinka, Jerry David, Kelly G

Gift Bearers: Jerry David

Sunday, September 18, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Clawson

Lector: Nancy Zenner

EMHC: Pete Zenner

Gift Bearers: ushers/volunteers

EM to Shut-ins: Sun, Sept 18: Jerry David

Last Week's Collection(s)

September 4: Twenty-Third Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,115.97

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.

September 11 – 17: Tim & Gwyn Vrabel family

September 18 – 24: Mark & Debbie Klaus

The **Men's Prayer Group** will meet this Monday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for information (512-863-4038).

RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults begins this Tuesday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Fr. Stephen will present a general overview of the RCIA Program and there will also be a discussion about Faith.

CCE: Class on Wednesday, September 14, from 6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Children should be in their classrooms at 6:15 p.m. They will all then go as class groups to the church for Mass and then back to the RE Bldg for the remainder of class. Parents are more than welcome to attend Mass as well, but all children must sit with their class. For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia (512-318-5149 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

Special Collection: September 17/18 at all Masses: The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) has asked that all dioceses take up an emergency collection to assist the victims of the 2016 Louisiana Floods. As many as 60,000 homes have been damaged with nearly 20,000 people being rescued and displaced. Please be generous.

Join us next Sunday, September 18, for our Annual Parish Bazaar! (We will have an additional Mass at 10:30 a.m.) Delicious BBQ & Fried Chicken dinner from 11:00 – 1:00. Adults \$10 / Children \$5. To-go plates available at the drive-thru. Afternoon full of family fun: live music during meal, children's games, silent & live auctions, raffle drawing, and hamburgers in the afternoon. Invite your family & friends to join us for good food and fellowship!

Don't forget to come help with Set-Up this Friday (5-9 p.m. with hamburgers) and on Saturday to put on the finishing touches! Many hands make light work! We appreciate all who do their part in making our annual fundraiser a success and an enjoyable time for all.

Parishioners are asked to bring sweets for the dessert table and cakes for the Cake Walk (please bring these items on Sunday morning).

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our upcoming Parish Mission to be held Sunday, October 23 thru Thursday, October 27. Each evening will consist of Confessions (5:30 – 6:15 pm), Mission hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (6:30 – 7:30 pm), Confessions (7:45 'til), and Holy Mass will be celebrated on the final evening. Please watch the bulletin for more specific details and information.

Surrounding Area Festivals & Events:

- **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).
- **71st Annual Cyclone Picnic – St. Joseph's in Cyclone:** Sunday, September 25. Sausage & Fried Chicken meal served at 10:30 a.m. 'til. Live music, games, Live Auction, fun for whole family!
- **39th Annual BBQ Dinner – Schwertner Community Center:** Sunday, October 2 (corner of FM 1105 & FM 487). BBQ meal with trimmings – serving at 11:30 a.m. - \$10/plate – eat in or take out. Raffle drawing.
- **Jamaica 2016 – Our Lady of Guadalupe in Taylor:** October 8 & 9 – at Murphy's Park in Taylor. Traditional food and music, games and more. For all information, visit www.nsdguadalupe.org.

MASS INTENTIONS It is such a comfort and a blessing to know that our loved ones are being prayed for after they have passed from this life and we, as Catholics, find solace in offering Mass Intentions for this purpose. We are very happy to receive everyone's Mass Intention Requests, but wanted you all to be aware of the scheduling status. Currently, all weekend Masses (Saturday's 5 pm and Sunday's 8:30 am) are filled for the remainder of 2016 and our weekday Masses are almost full as well. Please always keep in mind that the weekend Masses fill up quite quickly each year, especially with the fact that there is really only one weekend Mass available since we must offer one of them as Pro Populo (or 'for the parish family'). I do already have my 2017 calendar and will very soon have my 2018 calendar, so if you have specific dates you want to request (i.e. birthdays, wedding or death anniversaries, etc.), please contact me or send them in as early as possible. I will try to work with you on scheduling, but it is, in general, done on a first come, first serve basis. If you are asking for a specific date, please remember to give me your phone number so that I can contact you if needed. Mass Intention envelopes are located on the bulletin tables and you may contact the parish office for more information, etc. Thank you, Jennifer

Don't forget to utilize our parish website – www.holytrinityofcornhill.org – for all kinds of information, including our weekly bulletins, ministry schedules, monthly scripture calendars, event details, etc. We would also like to hear your ideas or suggestions for website additions, improvements, etc, which can be directed to Jennifer in the parish office.

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! Our Parish Bazaar is next Sunday. If you have not signed up to work, please do so at the Raffle Table after Mass, as there are still a few areas who need workers. Everyone is needed to help lighten the load so that all will be a success.

This week, we celebrate many feast days and two of these are The Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Wednesday, September 14, and Our Lady of Sorrows on Thursday, September 15.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross: It is through Jesus' death on the cross that salvation comes to us all. This feast day celebrates the finding of the true cross by St. Helena in the year 320 who was the empress of the time. This feast also celebrates the first church built over the empty grave of Jesus in the year 335.

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows: We remember the suffering Mary endured because of the cross of Jesus. Just as the prophet Simeon had foretold, a sword of sorrow would pierce the heart of Mary as she saw her Son, Jesus, die on the cross. Traditionally the "sorrows" of Mary number seven: 1) the presentation of Jesus in the Temple, 2) the flight into Egypt, 3) Jesus being lost in Jerusalem, 4) the meeting of Mary and Jesus on the way to Calvary, 5) the crucifixion, 6) the taking down of Jesus' body from the cross, 7) Jesus' burial. Mary can be of assistance to us in our times of sorrow. Ask Mary for her intercession to our Lord to assist you to overcome your times of sorrow and sadness so that you can rejoice with her in the new life Jesus promises to those who love Him.

Today's Gospel contains several parables. The main message is that heaven rejoices in those who turn away from their sin and seek God's mercy and forgiveness. God always welcomes the sinner who repents, who is truly sorry for their sins and wants union with Him. This is one of the main themes during this Jubilee Year of Mercy. God's mercy is available to all who come to Him with a sincere and contrite heart, a heart that is sorrowful, a heart that is open to change and conversion. Let us pray that we always have the courage to admit to our own sins and then go to Confession seeking God's forgiveness. God is there waiting for us and He comes to us and meets us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. May we always run to His open arms.

May all of you have a very blessed week.

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

*For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works.*

Psalms 139:13-14

What You Need to Know ... In 1968, three human beings escaped the pull of Earth's gravity and circled around another heavenly body, the Moon. From this vantage point, the crew of the Apollo 8 mission saw the Earth, rising in the inky darkness of space, like a pretty blue ornament on a Christmas tree.

For the first time ever, we humans got to see ourselves as God sees us: as one, wonderfully diverse family, deeply connected and incredibly good. For it was on this beautiful, fragile planet, that God took flesh as a little child.

God took flesh on this precious planet as if to say, "Now do you see how good you are? I have become who YOU are. I know what it is to be you. Like you, I will know what it is to dance and to be afraid. I will know what it is like to touch someone's face, to bury a loved one, to see tears roll down my cheeks, to be unable to stop laughing. I have become who you are so that you might see that who you are is good."

Too often we have forgotten that we are responsible for one another and for this magnificent planet. Too often we have forgotten that we are each precious, and that each life and all life needs to be nurtured and revered.

The first thing every child – no matter how old we are – needs to know if YOU are good. You have an incredible dignity. Your life matters! You are loved! You are important! You are beautiful! You are precious!

Five Things Every Child Needs to Know, 2014

Merciful God, help me to see myself as you do. Help me to see this world, each person and all living things, as you do: precious – important – filled with you and your love. Amen.

Within Our Diocese ...

Catholic Social Teaching Corner – September 10/11, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - In today's Gospel, Jesus proclaims God's prodigal love for sinners. God is like a parent watching for the lost son to return; like a shepherd willing to leave the 99 to seek the one; like the woman, unsatisfied with the nine coins, who scours the house to find the lost coin. We can turn from God, but God never turns from us. God in turn invites us to be in community with one another even other sinners? Will we join in God's community or reject it like the older brother?

Save the date: World Missions Sunday Mass and Dinner: This year marks the 90th anniversary of World Mission Sunday. To celebrate, the Mission Office of the Diocese of Austin and St. Mary Cathedral Parish in Austin will host a Mass and dinner on Oct. 22. Everyone is invited to gather at the Lord's table in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world to celebrate our common vocation as missionaries. The evening will begin with the sacrament of reconciliation at 4 p.m., the World Mission rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m., and Mass will begin at 5:30 p.m. The evening will conclude with a complimentary dinner and presentations by Brother of St. John, Fr. Jesus Rodriguez and Paulist Father, Fr. Bruce Nieli. Seating is limited for the dinner, so reserve a spot today at <http://www.austindiocese.org/missionsunday> or contact Christina Krueger at (512) 949-2407 or christina-krueger@austindiocese.org.

Couples invited to Marriage Encounter: Married couples are invited to strengthen, renew and rekindle their marriage sacrament by attending an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: 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 or wwmeaustin@gmail.com.

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, 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.

EIM Workshops and compliance - On Aug. 1, 2016, the Diocese of Austin launched a new education program for our EIM workshop, which replaced the Basic/Refresher workshop format. It is important for all persons that are required to be EIM compliant to participate in this new program and receive this updated information. All clergy, religious, seminarians, employees and all volunteers serving in ministry to minors or the vulnerable, will attend this new EIM Workshop whenever they are due for a workshop. To find the schedule and Sign Up for a Workshop, visit the diocesan EIM webpage. Please contact the parish office if you need assistance with EIM compliance matters. 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.

"Mary, Queen of Heaven, Queen of Mercy!"

Presented on Oct 3 from 9 am - 2:30 pm. The month of October is dedicated to the love of Our Blessed Mother. Father Uche Obikwelu, one of our diocesan priests, recently wrote a book titled, "Mary, the Mediatrix of God's Grace." He will share insights from his book during his talks and at Mass.

"Eleven Essential Elements to Living Well!"

Presented on Oct 18 from 9 am – 2:30 pm, by Dr. Patsy Sulak, M.D., author of "Should I Fire My Doctor," offers reflection on how we can maximize our physical, emotional, and spiritual health. Dr. Sulak is a physician at Scott and White Hospital and has traveled all over the country giving talks on women's health. She is the founder of Living WELL Aware, an organization which promotes healthy lifestyles.

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.

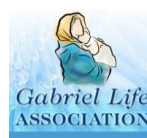


September is National Preparedness Month for natural disasters. Are you and your family prepared? To learn more about how Catholic Charities Disaster Response team supports those in our communities who are impacted by disaster, both in the immediate aftermath and the long-term recovery process, visit www.ccctx.org/disaster.



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.



Holy Trinity Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group

We invite everyone to join us each month to further educate ourselves of, and pray for, pro-life issues. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, October 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. For information or questions, contact the parish office, or our Pro-Life Coordinator, Chris Garlasco (860-689-3021. or caarlasco@hotmail.com).