

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16, A.D. 2016

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Oct 15	5:00 PM	†Adolph & Louise Valenta
Sunday	Oct 16	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Oct 18	6:00 PM	†Joe & Annie Klepac
Wednesday	Oct 19	6:30 PM	†Ted & Gabriella Nemeč
Thursday	Oct 20	7:00 AM	For Life
Friday	Oct 21	6:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (healing)
Saturday	Oct 22	7:30 AM	†Virginia McMaster
Saturday	Oct 22	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of Max & Julie Beyer family
Sunday	Oct 23	8:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, October 19, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Caleb Stefek, Jenna Danek, Lucas Beyer
Lector: Nancy Zenner
EMHC: Pete Zenner
Gift Bearers: Fifth Grade

Saturday, October 22, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Jakob Voigt
Lector: Janine Nemeč
EMHC: Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh
Gift Bearers: John & Mary Ann Valenta
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Sunday, October 23, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek, Abby Hodgson
Lector: Michael Vrabel
EMHC: Pete & Nancy Zenner
Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemeč
Head Usher: Jerry David

EM to Shut-ins: Sun, Oct 23: James Nemeč

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, October 15/16:	--Christian Mothers Bake Sale
Monday, October 17:	--Men's Prayer Group
Tuesday, October 18:	--RCIA Class
Wednesday, October 19:	--CCE Classes
	--FINAL Year of Mercy Book Study
Saturday, October 22:	--Quinceanera Mass
Sat/Sun, October 22/23:	--World Mission Sunday Collection
Sunday, October 23:	--Parish Mission Begins

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Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm & Sunday @ 8:30 am

Reconciliation: Sat: 4:00–4:45 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:15 am;
& Wed: 5:45-6:15 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

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Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix and the Tabernacle are placed in loving memory of **Adolph & Louise Valenta** and are donated by the Valenta family.

The flowers on the Altars of Mary and Joseph are donated by **Mr. & Mrs. Jose Melendez**, as they celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony here this weekend. May God bless their lives together.

Last Week's Collection(s)

October 9: Twenty-Eighth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,001.39

Thank you for sharing your blessings with others.

Parish Prayer Campaign for Vocations

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

October 16 – 22: Kathy Windhauser

October 23 – 29: Henry & Agnes Taylor

Religious Articles Cabinet

in the foyer of the 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.

CEF – 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. Donations given benefit the education of our diocesan seminarians.

The family of Theofil Zurovets would like to express their sincere gratitude for your condolences, prayers & cards in their time of loss. May God bless you.

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will sponsor a **Bake Sale** this weekend (October 15/16) after both Masses. All proceeds will be sent to the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, to aid in the construction of their Georgetown Priory (which is the service project supported by the Austin DCCW this year). Your support is appreciated!

The Parish Office will be open this week on Tuesday, October 18 only ... and closed the rest of the week. Bulletin announcements for the October 22/23 bulletin are due no later than 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 18.

The **Men's Prayer Group will meet** this Monday, October 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for information (512-863-4038).

RCIA - Class this Tuesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: The Church.

CCE: Class this Wednesday, October 19, from 6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. For CCE information, contact Lucille D'Elia (512-318-5149 or htdcre@yahoo.com).

Thank you to all who attended our first **Mommy, Mass & Me** class this past Wednesday. Mark your calendars, as we welcome you again – and all other interested families with children thru age 4 – to our next class on Wednesday, November 9.

The final **Year of Mercy Book Study** will be held this Wednesday, October 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for information (512-863-4038).

The **Pastoral & Finance Councils will meet** this Thursday, October 20, in the RE Bldg (Pastoral at 7:00 p.m. followed by Finance). All parishioners are invited and the Pastoral Council Agenda is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

Please see the back of this bulletin for details and information about our upcoming Parish Mission, to be held Sunday, October 23 thru Thursday, October 27. We encourage you to invite your family and friends to join us as well.

Just one more week left to sign up for our parish Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Sacred Heart Parish in Waco on Sunday, October 30. We would like for everyone to meet here at 9:30 a.m. that morning and need to arrive there at 11:00 a.m. We will say our prayers as a group and then attend their 12:00 noon Mass. We will then enjoy a lunch of authentic Mexican food, prepared by the Sacred Heart parishioners (only cost is \$8 for each person attending for their meal). **If you would like to attend, please sign-up on the sheet located in the foyer of the church by next Sunday, October 23**, as we will need to give them a head count for the meal. Please contact the parish office for questions or information.

We will have a **second collection** next weekend – October 22/23 – for **World Mission Sunday**. Your generosity makes it possible for priests, religious, and catechists throughout Asia, Africa, parts of Latin America and Europe, and on the Islands of the Pacific, to reach out to communities, families and children in desperate need, bringing the light of Christ to the darkest of circumstances.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet** next Sunday, October 23, in the RE Bldg, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass (agenda includes finalizing plans for the reception/meal to be served after the Mission Service on Thursday, October 27). All ladies of the parish are invited. Members will also sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before Mass.

Remember to turn in your October Cemetery Dues. The amount due for each family is \$20. If you have contribution envelopes, you have an envelope in your box. If not, you may get one from the bulletin tables. The money you contribute is for the annual maintenance expenses of the cemetery. If you plan to be buried here at Holy Trinity Cemetery, failure to pay your annual dues may result in loss of parishioner burial rights.

October is Respect Life Month and we can show our support of the pro-life movement each day this month by adding coins to our **Baby Banks** and saying a prayer for the protection and sanctity of LIFE. The money you donate will go to Pro-Life apostolates in the Diocese of Austin. Thank you, in advance, for your participation and generosity.

You may have noticed the **Single Red Rose at the Altar of the Blessed Mother, Mary**, and wonder why it's there, so here is a little insight/history for you: The rose symbolizes marriage and motherhood, a representation dating back to the sixteenth-century --- with the red rose specifically symbolizing childbirth. A red rose reminds us of the mourning that America experiences in the loss of 55 million+ unborn lives. The rose has, therefore, become a modern-day symbol of the pro-life movement. Our Blessed Mother is our true role model of motherhood, so we honor her and the pro-life movement by placing the single red rose on her Altar during the month of October.

All Souls' Day: Give your loved ones the gift of prayer. Pick up and complete an **All Soul's envelope** and turn it in to the collection basket by Sunday, October 30. All names given will be prayed for throughout the month of November.

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for **Paul Sherek & Rachel Horsch**, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony here on Saturday, October 29.

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! Inserted in this bulletin is the report on our parish bazaar. As you can see, we did even better than last year. Thank you to all of you for your hard work, donations and prayers for its success.

The paving of our roads has been completed by Alpha Paving. The total cost of this project was \$72,211.11. Thank you to those who worked on this project.

Tuesday is the Feast of St. Luke, one of the four writers of the Gospels. He also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. Let us join together in prayer at Mass to honor St. Luke on Tuesday, October 18.

In today's Gospel, and in all of the four Gospels of the New Testament, Jesus gets two important points across to us on prayer: 1) it must be *always*, and 2) it must be from the *heart*.

In today's first reading, we see how important prayer was to Moses during the battle with Amalek's forces, which had intruded into Jewish territory. As long as Moses kept his hands *always* raised to God, his *heart* was in his imploring of God.

When Jesus tells us to pray always, he is telling us to pray every day, every hour, every minute of our lives. Prayer is a state of being, of being in constant union with God, being *always* aware of God's presence in our lives. It is important for us to pray all during the day. Prayer sanctifies, makes holy, our day. When I worked at the bank in Waco, I would pray little prayers in silence throughout the day. During my last two years at the bank, I would stop by the Church in Abbott almost every day, to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Prayer should be an important part of our lives. However, we must know what to pray for. We should not pray for anything that is against the will of God or pray just out of our own selfishness. Prayer must be from the *heart*.

According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says: "If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain, they are worthless". One of our greatest saints, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, said: "*For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.*" St. Thérèse recognized that prayer must be from the heart. The *Catholic Catechism* describes the *heart* of prayer: "The heart is the dwelling place where I am, where I live; according to Semitic or biblical expression, the heart is the place 'to which I withdraw.' The heart is our hidden center...[which] only the Spirit of God can fathom...and know it fully...It is the place of covenant..." The heart is where man and God meet in the mystery of Christ—in the mystery of his most Sacred Heart, which absorbs the wounded and crying hearts of those who want to be right with their God. It is in our heart that we speak sincerely to God and in which our soul is united with Him.

St. Augustine prayed: "*Our hearts were made for Thee, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in Thee.*" Let us allow our hearts to rest in God so that we may live a life of peace and joy. Let us ask our Lord to dwell within our *hearts* so that we may know how to pray and so that we may *always* be united with Him in prayer.

Don't forget to continue to pray for a greater respect for life, from the moment of conception to natural death, during this Respect Life month. And, being the month of the Rosary, it would be good to offer your daily rosary for this intention. May our Blessed Mother, Mary, intercede for the lives of the unborn and may her prayers gain forgiveness for the horrible crimes being committed by the killing of babies in the wombs of their mothers through the procedure known as abortion.

Please be praying our Mission Prayer that is on the back of this bulletin and plan on attending the upcoming Parish Mission. May all of you have a most blessed week.

In Christ,

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář



Jubilee Year of Mercy

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those he ministered to, these Works of Mercy guide us to "help our neighbors in their spiritual needs."

Instruct the Ignorant

Learn about our faith and be open to talking with others about our beliefs. There is always something more to discover about the Catholic faith – which also leads us to learn more about ourselves and ways we can change for the better.

- Go on a service trip or short term mission trip. No time? Donate to support someone on their service trip.
- Volunteer to help with religious education programs at your parish.
- Invite someone to go to Mass with you this weekend – or to a parish mission or other Catholic educational programs.
- Know your faith! Re-read the Catechism you used as a child in religious education classes, or ask your parish for credible websites or pamphlets/books that explain or teach Catholicism.
- Remember that your actions and words speak volumes to others about who you are. Make sure they reflect your faith.



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

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



Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill

Parish Mission

Sunday, October 23 – Thursday, October 27

entitled

“If You Knew the Gift of God...”

presented by

Fr. Ricardo Pineda, CPM, of the Fathers of Mercy

During the mission, Fr. Ricardo will challenge us to make a stronger, deeper, personal commitment to Christ and His Church. The topics he will speak on are:

~Power to Become Children of God~

~The Church: That They May Be One~

~The Eucharist: Heaven on Earth~

~Forgiveness, Healing, Rising from the Dead~

~Mary, Mother of God and Our Mother~

Event Schedule: (meals & reception are in PAC Bldg)

Sunday, October 23: Confessions 5:30-6:15 pm / Mission: 6:30 pm

Monday, October 24: Confessions at 5:30-6:15 pm / Light Meal: 5:30-6:15 pm / Mission: 6:30 pm

Tuesday, October 25: Confessions at 5:30-6:15 pm / Light Meal: 5:30-6:15 pm / Mission: 6:30 pm

Wednesday, October 26: Confessions at 5:30-6:15 pm / Light Meal: 5:30-6:15 pm / Mission: 6:30 pm

Thursday, October 27: Confessions at 5:30-6:15 pm / Mass & Mission: 6:30 pm / Closing Reception

Parish Mission Prayer

Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your infinite Wisdom, Goodness, and Love, and we thank you for the blessing of a Parish Mission. Grant, we pray, O Lord, that this mission will be a means for many souls to draw closer to You. Mercifully bestow upon Your sons and daughters profound healing, greater appreciation for the beauty of Your Divine Truths, and a burning desire to love You more and more. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. AMEN.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. St. Joseph, pray for us.



Fr. Ricardo was born on August 4, 1987, into a Catholic family of both Salvadoran and Mexican descent. He is a native of San Diego, California. Following high school, he attended the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. While in studies at Notre Dame, he played trumpet in the marching Band of the Fighting Irish. In May of 2008, he graduated from Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and a minor in Theology.

Fr. Ricardo began hearing a call to the priesthood as early as age 6, but it was not until his freshmen year of high school that he began serious discernment of his vocation in prayer. This discernment continued throughout high school and college. After learning more about the vocation to priesthood as well as the vocation to marriage, he discovered that although the thought of marriage made him happy, he imagined himself happier as a priest, serving God for the salvation of souls. So by the end of his second year at Notre Dame, he had accepted God's call to the priesthood with a firm "Yes!" In time, he further discerned a call to the religious life.

Fr. Ricardo joined the Fathers of Mercy as a postulant in July of 2008. Following his one year novitiate, he professed his first year of temporary vows of Obedience, Poverty, and Chastity on August 14, 2009. He graduated from Holy Apostles College and Seminary and was ordained a priest for the Fathers of Mercy in May of 2013. For three years, he served as an associate pastor of four small parishes in the Archdiocese of Louisville. This past June, he was resigned to the Fathers of Mercy Mission Band. He also currently serves as the community's Treasurer General.