

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23, A.D. 2016

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Oct 22	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of the Max & Julie Beyer family
Sunday	Oct 23	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Oct 24	7:00 AM	†Johnny Simek
Tuesday	Oct 25	7:00 AM	Lauren Buchhorn (healing)
Wednesday	Oct 26	7:00 AM	†Bill and Joanie Schwertner
Thursday	Oct 27	6:30 PM	†Merlene Turman
Friday	Oct 28	7:00 AM	†Msgr. Emilián Foltyn
Saturday	Oct 29	7:30 AM	†Tommie Rose Martine
Saturday	Oct 29	5:00 PM	†Robert & Crecencia Hernandez
Sunday	Oct 30	8:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Reminders

Parish Mission: October 23-27

Altar Servers: Caleb Stefek & Jakob Voigt

Lector for Thursday, October 27: Jennifer Klepac

Saturday, October 29, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac

Lector: Leo Bringman

EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: Bill & Monica Sherek

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, October 30, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, William Fonville, Jarrod Hodgson

Lector: Cynthia Edgar

EMHC: John Edgar, Lucille Nemeč, Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

Head Usher: A.J. Batla

EM to Shut-ins: Sun, Oct 30: John Edgar

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, October 22/23:	--World Mission Sunday Collection
Sunday, October 23:	--Parish Mission Begins
Monday, October 24:	--NO Men's Prayer Group – Attend Mission
Tuesday, October 25:	--NO RCIA Class – Attend Mission
Wednesday, October 26:	--CCE Classes – Attend Mission
Thursday, October 27:	--Final Night of Mission
Saturday, October 29:	--Paul Sherek & Rachel Horsch Wedding
Sunday, October 30:	--Parish Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

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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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Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

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Altar Flowers

The flowers at the St. Joseph Altar are placed
in loving memory of **Ken Billmeier**
and are donated by the Patrick & Patti Reece family.

Last Week's Collection(s)

October 16: Twenty-Ninth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,272.00

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 23 - 29: Henry & Agnes Taylor

October 30 – November 5: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

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.

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of
Albin Zurovetz, of our parish family, who passed away and was
buried here this past week. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers would like to thank all who supported their Bake Sale last weekend. A total of \$718.00 will be sent to the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, to aid in the construction of their Georgetown Priory.

The family of **Albin Zurovetz** would like to thank everyone for their condolences, prayers and cards, and for those who helped with the meal. May God bless you all for your kindness.

We will have a **second collection** this weekend (October 22/23) for **World Mission Sunday**. Your generosity makes it possible for priests, religious, and catechists throughout the world, to reach out to communities, families and children in desperate need, bringing the light of Christ to God's children.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet today** (Sunday, October 23) in the RE Bldg, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited. Members will also sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before Mass.

Our Parish Mission will begin tonight (Sunday, October 23) and we hope you can all join us for the week. Please see the back of this bulletin for all details and information. We encourage you to invite your family and friends to join us as well.

Due to the Parish Mission, the **Men's Prayer Group will NOT meet** this Monday, October 24. Their next meeting will be on Monday, October 31, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for information (512-863-4038).

RCIA – No Class this Tuesday, October 25, as the RCIA individuals will attend the Parish Mission. And, on Tuesday, November 1, the RCIA individuals will not have class, but will attend the All Saints Mass at 7:00 p.m.

CCE: Though the children will not have any class time in the RE Bldg, this Wednesday, October 26, is still a class night. We will begin with a meal in the PAC Bldg (5:30 – 6:15 p.m.) - - - attendance will be taken and then the children (and parents if they can stay ☺) will all go over to the church to attend the Parish Mission. Children are welcome to sit with their parents at the Mission, but if their parents are not here, they will sit in the front pews of the church as usual with their teacher. For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia (512-318-5149 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

Santa Rosa Church in Andice will host a **Men's ACTS Retreat** on October 27 – 30, at the Peaceable Kingdom Retreat Center in Youngsport, TX (which is approx 25 miles from here). For additional information, please contact Manuel Ramirez (512-818-6236 or manue.ram@gmail.com).

Thank you to all who signed up to travel with us for our **Year of Mercy Pilgrimage** to Sacred Heart Church in Waco. Please meet here on Sunday, October 30, at 9:30 a.m. so that we can carpool to Waco. Fr. Stephen will be going with us and the Mass we will attend there at noon will fulfill your Sunday obligation (and is in the Spanish language --- which should be a treat for those who have never attended one in Spanish). Please call the parish office for more information.

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 privileges. The **Cemetery Policy & Procedures** can be found on our website or you can contact the parish office for a copy and/or for general information.

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

We will have our **Fifth Sunday Collection** next weekend – October 29/30 – for the benefit of the Jarrell Food Pantry, which gives aid to those in need in our local community. Please be generous.

Each day this month, we show our support of the pro-life movement by adding coins to our **Baby Banks** and saying a prayer for the protection and sanctity of LIFE. Please bring your Baby Banks back next weekend, October 29/30, and put them in the baskets located at the church entries. The money you donate will go to Pro-Life apostolates in the Diocese of Austin. Thank you for your participation and generosity.

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.

Our parish **Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group** will host a **Pro-Life Rosary** on Thursday, November 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the church, to which everyone is invited. The Pro-Life Group will then have their monthly meeting, which everyone is welcome to stay for as well.



The annual diocesan Catholic Services Appeal will be conducted here next weekend, October 29/30. Each year, our bishop asks every one of us to make a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries. By sharing the gifts God has granted us, we can work together to care for the Church. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue Christ's work of spirituality, charity and education.

Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) helps to sustain Catholic schools, religious education, ministerial formation, and initiatives for life, peace and justice. **Your donations are carefully spent; it is money for God's work, and the diocese uses it accordingly. Your contributions are deeply appreciated, very much needed and make a real difference in the lives of many.**

Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever! Our Parish Mission with Fr. Ricardo Pineda begins today, October 23, at 6:30 pm. Let us make the most of this Mission by attending every evening, allowing God to work in our lives so that we all become closer to Him and experience His love for us.

Last Sunday, we heard a parable in which Jesus told us of our need to persevere in our prayer, of our need to pray always, and that our prayer must come from the heart. In today's gospel, through another parable, Jesus continues to speak to us about prayer. Today Jesus takes us into what He considers quite important--and that is the quality of our prayer. We are given a story which gives us a contrast between flawed prayer and genuine prayer from the heart, between good prayer and bad prayer.

In today's gospel, the Pharisee is very proud of himself and the way in which he follows the Law. In his eyes, he has done everything that he is supposed to do and, therefore, he is better than everyone else. In his prayer, the Pharisee only boasts of himself and does not believe that he has any need to be pardoned for anything--he is a perfect person. Does this remind you of anyone that you know? How do you feel when you are around someone who brags about themselves all the time? Probably, after a while, you cannot stand to be around them anymore and maybe you even begin to avoid being around them altogether. Sometimes, I catch myself bragging, and I pray that the Lord will help me to become a humble person. However, I believe that all of us at times like to boast of our deeds. We just need to be cautious that we do not boast to extremes and lose our sense of ways in which we need to improve. This is what we can also learn from the tax collector in today's gospel.

The Pharisee only spoke to God about how he was superior to everyone else and of the great things he was doing. On the other hand, the tax collector kept his prayer short. In his prayer, he recognized his sinfulness, and just as importantly, he recognizes the mercy of God. He came to pray because he knew that God was his source of forgiveness. We can be sure that the tax collector's prayer was heard because in our first reading and Responsorial psalm, we hear how *God hears the prayers of His lowly ones, and how God hears the cry of the poor*. Last week, I mentioned how prayer needs to come from the heart. This aspect of prayer is very much a part of today's gospel as well. We should not just pray when we are in need of something, but instead, prayer should be an ongoing part of our life. Many times, prayer is absent from peoples' lives and they only pray to God in times of emergencies or tragedies. However, prayer needs to play a big and important part of our life, all the time, no matter what the circumstances.

Perhaps we can enter into a true prayer life. All it takes is a wholesome heart, a willing spirit, an ongoing desire, and personal time. A good way to start is to pray the prayer that Jesus Christ taught all of us: *the Our Father*. We all know other prayers that we have memorized which we can pray every day. A good place to start is by praying alone or with your family, maybe even two or three times a day. A good time to start is the first moment of any day when you first wake up. There is no better way to start the day than to begin it in union with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Have a blessed week and don't forget to pray with your family.

In Christ,
Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, 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."

Counsel the Doubtful

Everyone has moments of doubt in their faith journey. Nevertheless, we should always remember that Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life and that we can and should always turn to Him along our way.

- "Listen to counsel and receive instruction, that you may eventually become wise" (Proverbs 19:20)
- The Cross of Christ "the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength" (1 Corinthians 1:25)
- Has someone asked you for advice? Orient your response to Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life
- Follow Christ with the witness of your life so that others may see God's love in your words and actions
- Accompany a friend who is struggling with believing to join a parish group for service or faith formation, share a book you found useful in dealing with your friends' faith concern, and worship at Sunday Mass.



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.