

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 6, A.D. 2016

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Nov 5	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Nov 6	8:30 AM	†Bill & Margie (Sladeczek) Stefek
Tuesday	Nov 8	6:00 PM	For all Priests & Seminarians
Wednesday	Nov 9	6:30 PM	All Souls
Thursday	Nov 10	7:00 AM	James & Laura Mears
		12 Noon	For those dedicated to Faith Formation
Friday	Nov 11	6:00 PM	†August & Louise Batla
Saturday	Nov 12	7:30 AM	Virgil Tonn (healing)
Saturday	Nov 12	5:00 PM	†Victor Paulousek, Sr.
Sunday	Nov 13	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	All Souls (in cemetery – weather permitting)

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, November 9, 6:30 PM

Altar Servers: Jenna D, Joseph B, Jakob V, Samuel W

Lector: Jennifer Marquis

EMHC: Heuertz

Gift Bearers: 3/4th Grade

Saturday, November 12, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

Sunday, November 13, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, William & Joseph Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: Lucille Nemecek, John & Cynthia Edgar

Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek

Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Sunday, November 13, 10:30 AM: All Souls' Cemetery Mass

Altar Servers: Carter Marquis & Lucas Beyer

Lector: Leo Bringman

EMHC: Janine Nemecek

EM to Shut-ins: Sunday, November 13: Jerry David

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Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

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

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Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate Altar Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, please complete and return an Altar Flower Envelope.

Last Week's Collection(s)

October 30: Thirty-First Sunday Ordinary Time: \$3,872.85

& 5th Sunday - Jarrell Food Pantry Collection: \$893.00

November 1: All Saints Day Collections: \$1,756.00

Parish Prayer Campaign for Vocations

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

November 6 – 12: Frances Nemecek

November 13 – 19: Pinto & Lucille Nemecek

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 Nemecek (512-863-6892), to purchase items, or to have items 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 Nemecek (512-863-6892), for enrollments any time. Donations given benefit the education of our diocesan seminarians.

This Week at a Glance

Monday, November 7:	–NO Men's Prayer Group
Tuesday, November 8:	–RCIA Class
Wednesday, November 9:	–CCE Class
Sunday, November 13:	–Year of Mercy Closing Mass at 8:30 a.m. –All Souls' Cemetery Mass at 10:30 a.m.



A blessed thank you to everyone who have given their gift to the Catholic Services Appeal. Our parish goal is 100% participation. Each and every person's gift is important – even if it is only the pledge of prayer (for which there is a box to check on the pledge cards) – your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated! For those who have not yet made a pledge, please join us in supporting the vital programs and services throughout the Diocese of Austin from which you and this parish benefit. Simply fill out a pledge card, place it in the envelope, and place the envelope in the offertory basket or drop it in the mail. Thank you for your support.

Thank you to all who turned in their Pro-Life Baby Banks! If you haven't yet, you may do so by putting them in the marked baskets at the church entrances. We appreciate your stewardship – the offering of your time and prayers and your generous donations – to promote the sanctity of LIFE! God bless you all for your Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy!

Just in time for your holiday baking - - - the Knights of Columbus will have **Pecans & Walnuts for Sale** this weekend (November 5/6) after our Masses.

National Vocations Awareness Week is being celebrated this week, November 6-12. In your prayers, please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community and respond generously to God's call. We continue to pray also for the seminarians of our Austin Diocese, which is easily done using the attached prayer calendar. In addition, the Vocations Ministry has prepared cards with mailing addresses for these men (located on the bulletin tables). Consider writing a seminarian a note of encouragement and support.

Zion Lutheran Church in Walburg invites everyone to their **45th Annual Wurstbraten** this Monday, November 7. Dine-in or drive-thru. Adults \$10 / Children \$6. Serving from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. Sausage also sold by the pound this Sunday, November 6, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper will be held NEXT Monday, November 14, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg** (and is postponed due to Zion Lutheran's Wurstbraten). Thank you to K.J.T. #55 for preparing the meal.

The **Men's Prayer Group will NOT meet** this Monday, November 7. Their next meeting will be on Monday, November 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for information (512-863-4038).

RCIA – Class this Tuesday, November 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: The Mass.

CCE: Class this Wednesday, November 9, from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia (512-318-5149 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

We will also have our **Mommy, Mass & Me Class** for all families with children thru age 4. Join us for Mass in the church at 6:30 and then in the RE Bldg for a fun 'class'.

Choir Practice for the Christmas Season has begun and will be held each Wednesday evening after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. New members are always welcome. Please call Ronnie Simek for more information (512-630-5074).

At the request of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), all parishes have been asked to take up a **special collection next weekend (November 12/13) to assist those affected by Hurricane Matthew.** The money collected will be distributed through Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA to provide water, food, shelter, medical care and long-term recovery efforts in the U.S., Cuba, Haiti and other parts of the Caribbean. Please be generous.

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.

*If you ever feel you are too **busy** for God ... to come to Mass, to help others, etc, think on this ... **B**eing **U**nder **S**atan's **Y**oke !!*

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. This weekend, please welcome Fr. James Robertson to our parish. He is a retired priest who lives at the St. John Paul II Residence for Priests in Georgetown. May we all be graced by his presence and his words.

Friday, November 11, is Veteran's Day. Please pray for all veterans who have served our country by serving in the Armed Forces.

Next Sunday, November 13, will be the closing of the Holy Doors for the Jubilee Year of Mercy in all the churches that have been designated as a Pilgrimage Site. The Holy Doors will close at the Cathedral on Saturday, November 19, and then at St. Peter's in Rome on Sunday, November 20.

Today's gospel gives us a little glimpse into the life the saints share with God in heaven. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection of the dead and, therefore, they wanted to trick Jesus into saying that there is not a resurrection. However, we hear in this gospel how Jesus not only disproves the belief of the Sadducees, but also, gives us an explanation of how life will be in heaven. What seems to be a problem with the Sadducees concerning the resurrection and marriage is not a problem to Jesus. He says that in heaven a person does not belong to another person as we may think here on earth. In heaven, we experience a love between ourselves and others that is far greater and beyond the love which we experience between us and our spouse, our children, or our relatives and friends. Jesus tells us that being "*Sons of the resurrection, they are sons of God. God is not the God of the dead but of the living. All are alive for him.*" In heaven we live not for ourselves or for others, but only for God. The Church draws our mind to the mysteries of the resurrection and eternity.

Because we are a people of God, a people of hope, a people deeply rooted in our faith in Jesus Christ, who said: "*I am the resurrection and the life,*" we too can move on with our lives no matter what suffering we may have to endure. During this month of November, we stop and pray for all those who have died and we ask them to also pray for us. As we do this, we should reflect upon the answer to the question why God made you and me. "*God made us to know Him and love Him and serve Him in this life, and to be happy with Him in heaven.*" On earth, all of us have our own crosses to bear and, hopefully, we can find some joy in carrying that cross because we know, as Jesus knew, that it will lead us to be fully united with our Father in heaven. Yes, there will be tragedies in each of our lives, some will be worse than others, and they will test the very fiber of our being. There will also be those people who will try to distract us from God and from His Son, Jesus Christ, and from the Holy Spirit, and these people will try to make us lose hope in God and to lose hope in the resurrection, just like the Sadducees did in the time of Jesus.

Our Blessed Mother, Mary, and the Church, remind us day by day to embrace our Savior, Jesus Christ, and they remind us that He said: "*I have come that you might have life, and have it to the full.*" "*God is not the God of the dead but of the living. All are alive for Him.*" We are already living the life of God, truly as children of God, through faith and baptism. The life in Christ we enjoy, we also share with those who have gone before us. Here and now we are invited to live our life in Christ in such a way that all people may believe in Him. We are His presence, his face, his voice, helping to build up the kingdom of God, "*a God of the living.*"

The words we heard in the gospel today inspired Jesus' followers with hope and confidence. We too, can be comforted by the words of this Gospel. They encourage us to live life to the full. As we look to the future, we are also called to make the world fit for a God of the living. We can only do this with the help of Jesus and by putting our faith and trust in Him.

My prayer for all of you is that you will allow God to ease your pain as the mother in today's first reading did as she saw her seven sons die, and as Mary watched as her Son was put to death on the cross. For as St. Augustine says, "*Our hearts are made for Thee, Oh Lord, and they will not rest until they rest in Thee.*"

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."



Forgive All Injuries

Forgiving others is difficult at times because we do not have God's limitless mercy and compassion. But Jesus teaches us that we should forgive as God forgives, relying on Him to help us show others the mercy of God.

- Let go of grudges
- Saying sorry is something we learn as kids, but how often do we really mean it?
- Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Pray for the Living & Dead

Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care.

- Request a Mass intention for a friend or family member who is going through a rough time; likewise, for friends/family that have died
- Keep your own book of prayer intentions and pray for loved ones often
- Ask loved ones if there is anything specific you can pray for them about
- Through prayer, entrust your cares and concerns for those around you to God

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

STEWARDSHIP

Too many times, when we see or hear the word STEWARDSHIP, it seems to be in conjunction with money ... and maybe you are tired of hearing or seeing this word altogether ! ? !

Well, hopefully, the following will give you a more positive perspective on what STEWARDSHIP is really about! The definition of the word stewardship is: the responsible management of something entrusted into one's care.

Stewardship applies to every aspect of our lives --- personally, professionally and spiritually.

Here in the Church, our focus is on the spiritual aspect and we use the strategy of the

3 Ts: Time – Talent – Treasure.

God has given each of us many gifts and He calls us to:

- *Give of our TIME ... by attending and doing what we are able to at parish functions and fundraisers, being involved in religious education programs or studies, participating in the Mass ministries, and volunteering to help the Church or your parish in any way you can in general.*
- *Offer our TALENTS ... everyone has something that they are good at – you may many things that you can do well and like to do for others. Some of us are good speakers, some are good teachers, are musically gifted, like to bake/cook, are good with organization and time management. All of these talents, and whatever other skills you may have, are all valuable to the Church in one way or another and God asks that we utilize them in building His kingdom here on earth.*
- *Share our TREASURE ... now here's the money part you always hear of! Other than God's love, forgiveness and sanctifying grace ☺ - not too much in this world is free anymore, so, let's face it, it takes money – and sometimes, quite a bit of it – to do what needs to be done. We need basic means for everyday life: electricity, water, food, gas – all of which take money. When a disaster occurs - fire, flood, illness and accidents - it takes money to rebuild what was lost or what needs to be done to return to 'normal life'. When the Church asks for your monetary assistance, it asks only for what you are able to give – whether it be \$1 or \$1,000 – and never looks down on the extent of someone's generosity. Anytime you give to the Church financially, you are giving back some of what God has given to you, for the benefit of others.*

So now you may wonder,

“What can I do for my parish to help fulfill the role of being of a good steward?”

The following is a general list of opportunities to 'get more involved' here at Holy Trinity. Some of you are already part of some – or many – of them, and we thank you and appreciate you more than you know!!

If you are willing to participate in one or more of these fulfilling tasks, or would simply like more information on any of them, please don't hesitate to contact the parish office.

- **Mass Ministries**
 - Lector
 - Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mass or to Shut-ins
 - Altar Server
 - Usher / Head Usher
 - Gift Bearer
 - Choir / Music Ministry
- **Religious Education**
 - RCIA Program Team Member
 - CCE Program - Teacher
 - CCE Program - Volunteer
 - Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group
 - Men's Prayer Group
 - Youth Group Ministry
- **General Parish Ministries**
 - Collection/Money Counters
 - Bazaar/Fundraiser Committee
 - K.J.T. Insurance
 - K.J.Z.T. Insurance
 - Catholic Life Insurance
- **Parish Social Ministries**
 - Senior Citizen Supper Program
 - Hospitality Sunday Program
 - Saturday Potluck Program
 - Charitable Programs
 - Advent Giving Tree
 - Clothing & Food Drives