

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Third Sunday of Easter

April 30, A.D. 2017

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	April 29	5:00 PM	†Judy Jackson
Sunday	April 30	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	April 30	10:30 AM	For Our First Holy Communicants
Tuesday	May 2	6:00 PM	Family of Frank & Ann Foltyn
Wednesday	May 3	6:30 PM	†Kip Heuertz
Thursday	May 4	7:00 AM	†Frank & Mary Vrabel
Friday	May 5	6:00 PM	LeRoy & Mary Tschoerner (65 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)
Saturday	May 6	7:30 AM	†Virginia McMaster
Saturday	May 6	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	May 7	8:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of Martin & Frantiska Vrabel family

### Mass Ministry Reminders

#### Wednesday, May 3, 6:30 PM

**Altar Servers:** John Bruce, Heron Rodriguez, Jarrod Hodgson

**Lector:** Janine Nemec

**EMHC:** Jennifer Klepac

**Gift Bearers:** Confirmation 2

#### Saturday, May 6, 5:00 PM:

**Altar Servers:** Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Jakob Voigt

**Lector:** Jennifer Klepac

**EMHC:** Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh, Debbie Klaus

**Gift Bearers:** Alex & Virginia Hernandez

**Head Usher:** Jeff Voigt

#### Sunday, May 7, 8:30 AM:

**Altar Servers:** John & Jenna Danek, Abby Hodgson

**Lector:** Henry Taylor

**EMHC:** John & Cynthia Edgar, James Nemec

**Gift Bearers:** Pinto & Lucille Nemec

**Head Usher:** Tommy Sladeczek

**EM to Shut-ins: Sunday, May 7:** James Nemec

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**Bulletin Announcement Deadline:** Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

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

**Reconciliation:** Sat: 4:00–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:10 am;  
& Wed: 5:45-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

### Parish Contacts & Resources

**Dir Rel Educ & Bookkeeping:** Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042

**Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals & Info:** Parish Office

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**Cemetery Director:** Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

**Cemetery Maintenance:** Ken Loudermilk 512-869-7351

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**Pastoral Council:** Pete Zenner 512-863-4038

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

**Conf. of Christian Mothers:** Lucille Nemec 254-527-3615

**K.J.T. Society #55:** John Danek 512-746-4168

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### Altar Flowers

If you would like to donate Altar Flowers in memory or honor of loved ones, you may do so with an Altar Flower Envelope (by bulletins or from our website).

### Last Week's Collection(s)

**April 23:** Sunday of Divine Mercy: \$3,598.00

**Diocesan Collection:** Seminarian/Priest Education: \$2,092.24

### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

**April 30 – May 6: Kathy Windhauser**

May 7 - 13: Henry & Agnes Taylor

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Come and spend some time with the Lord.

### This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, April 29/30:	--Fifth Sunday Second Collection
Sunday, April 30:	--First Holy Communion
Monday, May 1:	--Senior Citizens' Supper
Tuesday, May 2:	--Parish Office Closed --NO RCIA Class
Wednesday, May 3:	--CCE Classes
Thursday, May 4:	--Pro-Life Adoration --Pro-Life Prayer Group Meeting
Friday, May 5:	--First Friday Mass
Saturday, May 6:	--First Saturday Mass --Saturday Parish Potluck
Sat/Sun, May 6/7:	--Mother's Day CEF Drive
Sunday, May 7:	--Bible Study

**Thursday, May 4, is the feast day of St. Florian, patron saint of Firefighters. Please take the time to pray for our firefighters!**

alleluia!  
Christ has Risen!

**K.J.T. #55 thanks everyone who supported their Bake Sale & Breakfast Taco sale** last weekend, by purchasing and/or donating items, or just making a donation in general. Your support is appreciated and, due to your generosity, they made a profit of \$901.86.

We will have our **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Second Collection** this weekend (April 29/30) at all Masses, for the benefit of the Jarrell Food Pantry.

Please congratulate and pray for the children who will be receiving the **Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time** today (Sunday, April 30) at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

**Bible Study: *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*: NO meeting today (Sunday, April 30).** Next meeting will be held on Sunday, May 7, at 5:00 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. For information, contact Pete or Nancy Zenner (512-863-4038 or [npzenner@suddenlink.net](mailto:npzenner@suddenlink.net)).

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We thank the K.J.T. #55 for preparing the meal.

The **parish office will be closed this Tuesday, May 2**, and open Wednesday–Friday, May 3-5 (bulletin deadline is still Tuesday @ 3 pm).

**RCIA: NO class** this Tuesday, May 2. Next class will be held on Tuesday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Bible Study, Prayer Groups and Catholic Customs.

**CCE:** Classes this Wednesday, May 3, at 6:15 p.m. Parents are encouraged to stay and attend Mass! **\*\*\*Attn: we invite all parents of our parish, with children ages 4 and up (especially those who will be new to our program), to contact Lucille for information and to pre-register for next year's classes.** (Lucille D'Elia: [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com) or 737-215-1042)

**Pro-Life Adoration** this Thursday, May 4, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and spend some time with our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Our **Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group will meet** this Thursday, May 4. They will begin with a Pro-Life Rosary in the church and then continue their meeting in the RE Bldg. Everyone of the parish is invited and encouraged to attend the Rosary and the meeting!

This Friday and Saturday (May 5/6) are the **first Friday and Saturday of the month**. Friday's Mass is at 6:00 p.m. with a time of Adoration, our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and Benediction. Saturday's Mass is at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude with our monthly devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by praying the Litany.

All parishioners and visitors are invited to our **Saturday Parish Potluck** next Saturday, May 6, in the PAC Bldg after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Bring your favorite dish and/or dessert to share (which can be dropped off at the PAC before Mass). Food, fun and fellowship for the whole family, as the gym will be open for playtime as well! We thank the Moravian Club for coordinating the evening.

**Clerical Endowment Fund Drive for Mother's Day ---** Spiritual Bouquet Cards will be available after Masses on the weekends of May 6/7 and May 13/14. You may also contact Janine Nemecek (512-863-6892) to obtain a card. The usual offering is \$2.00 per person, per card. The enroller and enrollee's benefits are prayers and Masses said for them for a whole year. The money collected goes to our diocese to help with the education of our seminarians.

**May 7<sup>th</sup> is the 2017 World Day of Prayer for Vocations.** We must all pray, foster and support the various vocations in service to God and His Church. Parishioners are asked to consider joining our **Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign**. Each week, the crucifix is entrusted to a parish family or individual who promises to pray during the week for Church vocations, priests, deacons and religious and lay ministers. If you would like to join the prayer campaign, sign-up sheets will be available next weekend, May 6/7. You may also contact the parish office.

**We will fill the altars with beautiful flowers to celebrate all mothers on Mother's Day weekend (May 13/14). If you would like to donate in honor/memory of your mother, grandmother, aunt, etc, complete and return a "Mother's Day Mass Remembrance" envelope** (please make sure you check living or deceased). **Please turn in envelopes by next Sunday, May 7** ... the memorials will be in the May 14 bulletin.

Everyone is invited to St. Joseph's Church in Rockdale for their **Annual Mayfest** next Sunday, May 7. BBQ Beef & Sausage dinner for \$10 at 11 am; live auction, children's games, raffle and much more (held at Rockdale KC Hall on HWY 79 E – see flyer on bulletin board).

The **Cemetery Committee will meet** on Thursday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

We have sets of Fr. Ricardo Pineda's '**Parish Mission CDs**' available (\$20/set). If you would like one, call the parish office. These would be a great gift for a friend or loved one – especially for those who commute long distances to work and could benefit from a spiritual 'journey'!

We are still in need of a **Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM) Coordinator**. This would be perfect for a husband and wife, or maybe a couple of friends, to minister to the high school youth of our parish. If you are interested, please talk to Fr. Stephen.

**Mark Your Calendars for our June Fundraiser – Sunday, June 4 – Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner & Dance!!!!**

*“You’ve all heard Fr. Stephen announce in Mass, or have read in the bulletin many times before ... “we need more ministers for our weekend Masses, etc, etc” ... and yes, we could always use more, as ‘many hands make light work’. But ... with the addition of our Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass (beginning June 4) ... this need is now greater than ever!!! It took me almost 20 years to bite the bullet and offer my services on the Altar. Even though I knew my parish family quite well and had been the parish secretary for over 10 years, I still couldn’t bring myself to overcome the anxiety of standing up in front of everyone and speaking or performing a task. But, I am here to testify, that being on the Altar – and being able to proclaim the Scriptures to you and offer you our Lord in the Eucharist – has brought me more joy and peace than I can explain. I ask that you prayerfully consider taking that leap and offer your services to our Lord at the celebration of the Holy Mass.”* In Christ, Jennifer

### **Dear friends in Christ,**

Peace be with you! I hope and pray that the joy of Easter still remains in your heart. Congratulations to our children who are receiving the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion this weekend. May they always have a great desire to receive Him often so that they are constantly being nourished by our Lord.

The month of May begins this Monday and it is the month of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Everyone is invited to join us at the following celebrations to honor Mary, because in doing so, we are giving honor to her Son, Jesus. **On Wednesday, May 10, we will not have Mass, but our CCE children will gather in the church at 6:30 p.m. to pray the Rosary together. Then, on May 17, which is our last CCE class, we will have the Crowning of Mary at our 6:30 p.m. Mass.**

We congratulate Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in Granger who are celebrating their 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this weekend. May God bless them all with a strong and fervent faith to proclaim the Gospel and to continue to bring His loving presence to all in Granger and the surrounding area.

In today’s Gospel, we hear about how the two disciples of Jesus walked with Him on the road to Emmaus. They did not recognize Him at first, but *“They had come to know him in the breaking of the bread.”* This is why we always need to be conscious of what the Mass is all about and why we are here to participate in this celebration. The Mass is truly a place where we encounter the Risen Lord in a very special and unique way, just as the two disciples encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus and then recognized Him in the breaking of the bread. We could say this is the first Mass Jesus celebrated following His resurrection. Because of Jesus, the Mass is the best thing we do in life. The Mass should not be something we **have** to do, but instead, the Mass should be something we **want** to do, as often as possible. It is truly a special encounter with God. Unfortunately, there are those who have the idea of Mass only as an obligation, rather than the great treasure that it is.

This special encounter with God began when Jesus was with his Apostles at the Last Supper. He prayed *for* them and He prayed *with* them. Then He fulfilled His great promise and instituted the Mass. He gave them His Body and Blood. He commanded that they continue this Mass until the end of time. That is why we are here. We are keeping Jesus’ command. We are celebrating the Eucharist.

If you ever study the history of the Protestant revolt, you will read how priests were hanged for offering the Sacrifice of the Mass. In England and Ireland, it was forbidden and had to be done in secret at the risk of losing one’s life and the risk of having one’s property confiscated. Yet, those who had the faith were willing to take this risk in order to receive their Lord in Holy Communion. The same is true in many parts of the world today. Would we be willing to do the same in order to receive the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass?

At the Last Supper with His Apostles, Jesus took bread, broke it, and made it His Body. He took wine, blessed it, and made it His Blood. He commanded His Apostles to do this always as a way of remembering Him and as **THE** way of making Him present to them forever. When the early Christians did this, they referred to it as the *“Breaking of the Bread”*, as we heard in today’s gospel. Jesus gives Himself to us in the form of a meal because sharing a meal together is one of the greatest expressions of friendship. We should try to see that in the assembly of people gathered here at Mass ... that we are friends with one another and united with each other in the name of Jesus.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states, ***“The Sunday celebration of the Lord’s Day and His Eucharist is at the heart of the Church’s life. ‘Sunday is the day on which the paschal mystery is celebrated in light of the apostolic tradition and is to be observed as the foremost holy day of obligation in the universal Church.’”*** Thus, the *“Breaking of the Bread”* is the main reason we gather here each week and each day. St. John Chrysostom says, *“You cannot pray at home as at church, where there is a great multitude, where exclamations are cried out to God as from one great heart, and where there is something more: the union of minds, the accord of souls, the bond of charity, the prayers of priests.”* And so, in our parish churches, the most visible sign of our being recognized as people who have the Catholic faith is to come together for Mass and share the *“Breaking of Bread”* as Jesus did at the Last Supper. The Mass is the heart and center of Catholic worship. It makes the difference in our belief.

When we receive the Eucharist together, receiving Holy Communion, we are participating in the greatest act of worship we can do together as Catholics. Theologians have referred to the Eucharist as “the bread of angels,” “bread from heaven”; it has been called the medicine of immortality, for Jesus said, *“He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood live in me.”* It is a promise from Jesus that He will take us to heaven if we receive Him and follow Him. What a great and wonderful promise and gift our Lord has given us. Let us always show our appreciation to our Lord for this great gift by spending a few minutes in prayer giving thanks to Jesus for giving us His Body and Blood. We should **never** receive Holy Communion at Mass and then just walk straight out the door. This is like slapping Jesus in the face after you have received Him. Go back to the pew and say a prayer and stay at Mass until the prayer after Mass is completed. After all, you would not go to someone’s home and eat dinner with them and then after you take the last bite get up and run out the door. No, you would stay a little while longer visiting with them before you leave and thanking them for the wonderful meal. Even more so, we should stay with the Lord until all is completed and then go home and *live* what we have received.

May the blessings of our Lord in this Easter Season continue to be with each of you.

**Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

# Pray the Scriptures with us during the month of May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Every Sunday is a Solemnity. Weekdays with <b>bold</b> print are either a Solemnity or a Feast Day. All other weekdays are either Memorials or Optional Memorials or without a specific memorial. <i>Optional Memorials are in italics.</i></p>	<p><b>1</b> Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24,26-27,29-30 Jn 6:22-29 <b>or</b> Gn 1:26 - 2:3 <b>or</b> Col 3:14-15,17,23-24 Ps 90:2-4,12-16 Mt 13:54-58 <i>St. Joseph the Worker</i></p>	<p><b>2</b> Acts 7:51 - 8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4,6,7b,8a,17,21ab Jn 6:30-35  St. Athanasius, bishop, doctor of the Church</p>	<p><b>3</b> 1 Cor 15:1-8 Ps 19:2-5 Jn 14:6-14  <b>Sts. Philip and James, Apostles</b></p>	<p><b>4</b> Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9,16-17,20 Jn 6:44-51</p>	<p><b>5 † First Friday</b> Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1-2 Jn 6:52-59  <i>Sacred Heart of Jesus Devotion</i></p>	<p><b>6 First Saturday</b> Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-17 Jn 6:60-69  <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotion</i></p>
<p><b>7</b> Acts 2:14a,36-41 Ps 23:1-6 1 Pt 2:20b-25 Jn 10:1-10 <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p><b>8</b> Acts 11:1-18 Ps 42:2-3; &amp; 43:3-4 Jn 10:11-18</p>	<p><b>9</b> Acts 11:19-26 Ps 87:1-7 Jn 10:22-30</p>	<p><b>10</b> Acts 12:25 - 13:5a Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8 Jn 12:44-50  <i>St. Damien de Veuster, priest</i></p>	<p><b>11</b> Acts 13:13-25 Ps 89:2-3,21-22,25,27 Jn 13:16-20</p>	<p><b>12 †</b> Acts 13:26-33 Ps 2:6-11 Jn 14:1-6 <i>St. Nereus, martyr St. Achilleus, martyr St. Pancras, martyr</i></p>	<p><b>13</b> Acts 13:44-52 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 14:7-14  <i>Our Lady of Fatima 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary</i></p>
<p><b>14 Mother's Day</b> Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 1 Pt 2:4-9 Jn 14:1-12 <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> Acts 14:5-18 Ps 115:1-5,15-16 Jn 14:21-26  <i>St. Isidore</i></p>	<p><b>16</b> Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-13b,21 Jn 14:27-31a</p>	<p><b>17</b> Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-5 Jn 15:1-8</p>	<p><b>18</b> Acts 15:7-21 Ps 96:1-3,10 Jn 15:9-11  <i>St. John I, pope, martyr</i></p>	<p><b>19 †</b> Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-10,12 Jn 15:12-17</p>	<p><b>20</b> Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1-3,5 Jn 15:18-21  <i>St. Bernadine of Siena, priest</i></p>
<p><b>21</b> Acts 8:5-8,14-17 Ps 66:1-7,16,20 1 Pt 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21 <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149:1b-6a,9b Jn 15:26 - 16:4a  <i>St. Rita of Cascia, religious</i></p>	<p><b>23</b> Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 Jn 16:5-11</p>	<p><b>24</b> Acts 17:15,22 - 18:1 Ps 148:1-2,11-14 Jn 16:12-15</p>	<p><b>25</b> Acts 18:1-8 Ps 98:1-4 Jn 16:16-20 <i>St. Bede the Venerable, priest, doctor of the Church St. Gregory VII, pope, St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, virgin</i></p>	<p><b>26 †</b> Acts 18:9-18 Ps 47:2-7 Jn 16:20-23  St. Philip Neri, priest</p>	<p><b>27</b> Acts 18:23-28 Ps 47:2-3,8-10 Jn 16:23b-28  <i>St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop</i></p>
<p><b>28</b> Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47:2-3,6-9 Eph 1:17-23 Mt 28:16-20 <b>The Ascension of the Lord</b></p> 	<p><b>29</b> Acts 19:1-8 Ps 68:2-7 Jn 16:29-33  <i>Memorial Day</i></p>	<p><b>30</b> Acts 20:17-27 Ps 68:10-11,20-21 Jn 17:1-11a</p>	<p><b>31</b> Zep 3:14-18a <b>or</b> Rom 12:9-16 (Ps) Is 12:2-3,4b-6 Lk 1:39-56 <b>The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b></p>	<p><b>Tip for Spiritual Well-being.</b> Mary had a very unique relationship with her Son, Jesus. Ask Mary to teach you how to also have a unique relationship with Him. Pray the Rosary daily with your family.</p>	<p><b>Some other saints:</b> 4<sup>th</sup> - Sv. Florián 6<sup>th</sup> - Sv. Jan Sarkandr 14<sup>th</sup> - St. Matthias 16<sup>th</sup> - Sv. Jan Nepomucký 21<sup>st</sup> - St. Christopher Magallances 28<sup>th</sup> - Sv. Emil</p>	<p><b>Monthly Devotion</b></p>  <p>May, Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary</p>

† The Bishops of the United States have asked that we observe Fasting and Abstinence on every Friday for the intentions of Life, Marriage, and Religious Freedom.