

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



The Most Holy Trinity

June 11, A.D. 2017

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	June 10	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of Joseph & Mary Valenta family
Sunday	June 11	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	June 11	10:30 AM	For Life
Tuesday	June 13	6:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (for healing)
Wednesday	June 14	6:30 PM	†Kip Heuertz
Thursday	June 15	7:00 AM	P.R. (for healing)
Friday	June 16	6:00 PM	†Albin & Janette Zurovetz
Saturday	June 17	7:30 AM	†Theofil Zurovetz
Saturday	June 17	5:00 PM	For all Fathers, Living & Deceased
Sunday	June 18	8:30 AM	For all Fathers, Living & Deceased
Sunday	June 18	10:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Reminders

Saturday, June 17, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Preston Snook

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh, Jennifer Klepac

Gift Bearers: Snook family

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, June 18: (Corpus Christi Procession - Incense)

8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Carter M, Lucas B, William F, Caleb & Amy S

Lector: Michael Vrabel

EMHC: Johnny Martinka, Lucille Nemeč, Ray Nemeč

Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemeč

Head Usher: Tommy Sladeček

10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jakob Voigt, Heron Rodriguez, Abby Hodgson

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EMHC: Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: Jeff & Maggie Voigt family

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, June 18: 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: 4:00–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:10 am;
& Wed: 5:45–6:10 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

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Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix and Tabernacle are placed in honor of the **living and deceased family members of Joseph & Mary Valenta** and are donated by the Valenta family.

Last Week's Collection(s)

June 4: Pentecost Sunday: \$4,541.99

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

June 11 – 17: Frank & Lucille D'Elia

June 18 – 24: Andrew & Susan Klepac

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.

Religious Articles Cabinet

in the foyer of the church, is full of many wonderful items, for all occasions, which are available for purchase.

Contact the parish office, Louise Straka (512-746-5322) or Janine Nemeč (512-863-6892), to purchase items.

CEF – Spiritual Bouquets

make appropriate gifts for any occasion. You can contact Janine Nemeč (512-863-6892) for enrollments any time.

This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, June 10/11: –Mission Appeal

Sunday, June 11: –Bazaar Meeting

Monday, June 12: –Senior Citizens' Supper

Thursday, June 14: –Pro-Life Adoration

This is your last weekend to turn in a “Father’s Day Mass Remembrance” envelope to donate for the Father’s Day Altar Flowers in memory/honor of a father, uncle, brother, etc. The memorials will be listed in the June 17/18 bulletin.

We welcome Fr. Ben Chinnappan who is here for a **Mission Appeal** on behalf of Bishop Neethinathan, Chairperson for the Dalit Christians, who are known as the Outcaste, or the Untouchables, in India under the caste system. He will speak about the discrimination and injustice that the Christians have endured for generations in India. He will also seek your generous support to educate the Christian children who otherwise would end up with school drop-outs, child-labor and child-trafficking. You can make a huge difference in the lives of these children through your donations. The poor and the marginalized always live in hope of being equal to their fellow human beings ... and this hope is realized through people like you. Please be generous.

We will have our first BAZAAR MEETING today (Sunday, June 11) in the RE Bldg, immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All Bazaar Core Members and Function Leaders are asked to attend – as well as anyone else interested in helping at the Bazaar.

Clerical Endowment Fund Drive for Father’s Day --- Spiritual Bouquet Cards will be available after Masses this weekend (June 10/11) and next (June 17/18). You may also contact Janine Nemece (863-6892) to obtain a card. The usual offering is \$2.00 per person, per card, and your donation helps with the education of our diocesan seminarians.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens’ Supper** will be held this Monday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. Thank you to Jennifer Klepac & Crew for preparing the meal.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, June 14, 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.

We will give reverence to the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ through our annual **Corpus Christi Procession** next Sunday, June 18, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

A **Cemetery Work Day** has been scheduled for Saturday, June 24, and will begin at 7:30 a.m. (to beat the heat!). If you can, bring your shovel, hoe, chain saw, etc. For more information or questions, please contact Johnny Martinka (512-966-4301).

SSCM Church in Granger invites everyone to their **Chicken Dinner & Battle Dance** on Sunday, June 25, at their Parish Hall. Dinner will start serving at 11:00 a.m. Adults \$9 / Children \$5 (drive-thru adult plates available 11 am – 12:30 pm). Battle Dance from 3 – 9 pm with Fritz Hodde & Ennis Czech Boys (\$10/person). Afternoon food and refreshments will be served as well.

We will have our annual EIM Workshop on Saturday, July 22, at 9:30 a.m. We do have several Mass Ministers, Catechists, etc, who will need to take a workshop this year for their 3-yr certification – so please check on your renewal date. Even if you aren’t due by July of this year, you might consider taking this one so that you are in sync with our time-line. **Please Note:** If you are new to the EIM system, you will need to complete – asap – the online application on the diocesan website so that your background check can be completed by the date of the workshop. **This particular workshop will not be listed on the diocesan schedule until about a week to 10 days prior to July 22.** Therefore, you will need to go back into the system at that time to actually sign-up for the class itself (and we apologize for that inconvenience). If you are already in the EIM system, again, you will need to wait until a week or so prior to the class to sign-up for it. **If any other EIM information is needed, or if you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact our parish office!**

Our June Fundraiser was a wonderful, successful event thanks to everyone’s hard work, attendance and generous donations! ... and now we move on to our annual Bazaar – which will be held this year on Sunday, September 17!

So ... let’s get started by collecting items for our Bazaar Raffle!



The trend of Gift Cards seems to be the norm these days,
but any and all donations will be accepted and very much appreciated!
Please contact the parish office for all donations and for information or questions.

Deadline for donations is Sunday, July 9.

When praying to God, we can only ask for God since He is everything ; and in giving Himself, He gives us all.

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you to everyone who attended and who helped out with our June Fundraiser last Sunday. It was a wonderful day and we had a good crowd. A good time was had by all. A special thank you to those of you who took time off from your places of work to set up, cook, clean, or to do whatever else was needed. Some of you put in a lot of time working. May God reward you for your kindness and for your sacrifice. All of you are truly appreciated.

Today we welcome Fr. Ben Chinnappan for his Mission Appeal. Please support him and his ministry in whatever way is possible.

Many people are beginning their summer vacations. Always remember to take a nice set of clothes along with you so that you will be properly dressed for Mass wherever you go. Check ahead of time to locate the Catholic Church and find out the Mass times so that you will be on time for Mass. You can find the Mass times for almost every parish by going to www.masstimes.org or by using their App on your smart-phone. It is important that we do not neglect our worship of God and that we keep His Commandment to keep Holy the Sabbath Day.

The Season of Summer is just 1½ weeks away and hot weather is upon us. Usually when summer approaches, we are tempted to dress rather lightly or skimpy for Mass. We need to remember that, as we come to Mass, we come to worship God and to receive His Son in Holy Communion. We should dress in a way that shows respect for God. The general rule that I believe is appropriate is that anyone over 6 years of age should not wear shorts to Mass. Also, girls and ladies should wear blouses or dresses that are appropriate for Mass, nothing strapless and no spaghetti straps. Some say that God doesn't care what you wear to Mass. Well, that may be so. But the question should be "do you love God enough that you care what you wear to Mass and are you willing to do something special for Him?" Do you stand in honor in His presence? Also, if you dress appropriately for Mass you will not be cold in church from the air conditioning. If the air is blowing on you and you are cold, try to move to another part of the church.

Today we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity of God, a mystery of three Persons in one Divine Being. For many people, our belief in the Trinity is just too much and they cannot bring themselves to believe that such a God exists. When others ask us how this can be, we need to say that within human boundaries, it can't be. We have to move beyond our human limitations and realize that we live in a huge universe and that 99 percent of this universe has not been unlocked by our human minds. The belief of God as a Trinity of Persons must be accepted on **faith**. Our Lord Jesus Christ did reveal this mystery to us. If He had not done so, then we would not know that God exists as a Trinity of Persons. Jesus tells the Apostles to go and baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus speaks about the Father quite often in the Gospels, and that He is the Son of God, and that God would send the Holy Spirit to take His place on earth.

We may ask ourselves "What is this Trinity of Persons whom we call God?" The Gospel of John tells us that God is Love. It is Love, pure and perfect Love, which makes this Trinity God. In today's first reading from the book of Exodus, God tells Moses that the Lord is "*a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.*" St. Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, tells us that God is a God of "*love and peace.*" And in John's Gospel we hear how "*God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.*" In all three readings of today, we hear how God is a good and loving God. St. Paul tells us about the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. All that we hear about God in today's readings describe a Trinity of Persons that is in perfect unity and perfect relationship with one another. **Three Persons, yet One Divine God.** These characteristics of God do not apply merely to the relationships within the Trinity. These characteristics also apply with God's relationship with all of creation. That is why God sent His only Son to save the world. It is because He is in relationship with the world, with you and I.

God's love for us, and His longing for our love, led to Jesus being sent in humility and vulnerability to share our human life, and to offer us the chance to share in the life of perfect harmony and freedom which He enjoys with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit. All that God asks of us, as Jesus tells Nicodemus, is that we do not shut ourselves off from the love God offers us. Those who believe in Him will be saved and those who deny Him deny themselves the chance of an open and intimate relationship with God. In the Person of Jesus Christ, we have the greatest opportunity to share in the life of the Trinity. We also share in the life of the Trinity in our relationship with one another.

As Paul suggests, when we are open to the presence of God in each other, that is when we begin to share the life of the Trinity more deeply and to understand its perfection. As you know, it is so easy to close ourselves off from other people and to avoid them. In the same way, we can close ourselves off from God. If we catch ourselves closing up in the presence of others, we need to remind ourselves that God is not like that. God loved an indifferent world so much that He sent His Son to be our redeemer. We, who call upon the Trinity, can unravel Its mystery only by opening ourselves to love, for God is Love.

Next Sunday, June 18, is Corpus Christi Sunday. We will have our annual Corpus Christi Procession after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

You may have noticed that three of the trees are missing on the south side of the church. Even though they had leaves and looked good, they were completely hollow and could have fallen at any moment with a gust of wind. Therefore, we had to cut them down, as they were a danger to cars parked next to them and to people walking on the sidewalks. We are considering planting other trees to replace them.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill Cemetery

Though we have published this information in the past, we do have new families in the parish who aren't aware of our Cemetery rules and procedures, and a 'refresher' is good for everyone in general – as we do get questions about the following quite often, even from long-time parishioners. The following is as written in the Holy Trinity Cemetery Policies & Procedures:

- **Parishioners of Holy Trinity** may be buried without cost provided:
 - they are registered with Holy Trinity Parish
 - they are actively participating in the spiritual life of Holy Trinity Parish
 - they contribute regularly to Holy Trinity by check or church envelope
 - once an individual turns 18 years of age, even if they are still living in their parent's home, they are considered to be their own parish family and should, therefore, 1) register as a family, 2) actively participate in the spiritual life of the parish, and 3) contribute regularly to the parish by check or church envelope
- **Annual contributions of at least \$20 per family** are collected each October for cemetery upkeep and maintenance. **Failure to pay the annual upkeep fee will result in a parishioner being charged to be buried at Holy Trinity Cemetery (\$1500 casket / \$250 urn).**
 - once an individual turns 18 years of age, even if they are still living in their parents' home, they are considered to be their own parish family and should, therefore, fulfill the responsibilities as any other parish family and pay the annual contribution to the Cemetery Fund.
- **Non-Parishioners** may be buried:
 - (casket) for \$3,000
 - (urn) for \$500
- No reserved plots are allowed except for the spouse of the deceased already interred.
- All burials will be done in a systematic order – by next available space. The location of the burial spot is unknown until the burial occurs, with the exception of:
 - Married couples who are current parishioners of HTC: a space will automatically be reserved for the surviving spouse next to the deceased spouse, unless requested otherwise.
 - Non-Catholic Spouse of a Parishioner: a space can be reserved for the surviving spouse next to the deceased spouse.
 - Married couples who are not Parishioners of HTC: for both spouses to be buried at HTC, two (2) 'rights to burial' must be purchased by the couple – then, once one spouse is buried, a space will be reserved next to that one for the surviving spouse.
- No spaces will be reserved for children or any other family member – except in special cases – and would require approval by the pastor. The reason for this is to keep grave digging equipment from having to drive over curbing and other graves.

ALL of the Holy Trinity Cemetery Policies & Procedures can be obtained from the parish office and can also be found on our parish website. Any questions, or the request for more information, about the above, should be directed to Fr. Stephen or the parish office.

Deacons are an integral part of a parish and are an asset to both the pastor and the parishioners! English and Spanish speaking men, wishing to explore the permanent diaconate, are invited to **Project Stephen – a monthly gathering for men and their wives to pray, listen, and discern in community.** Project Stephen meets year-round, on the third Thursday of each month, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the diocesan Pastoral Center in Austin. Men must first discuss their interest in the diaconate with their pastors and receive his consent to attend. For more information, e-mail: formationdirectors@austindiocese.org.

TEC (Together Encounter Christ) is a movement focused on the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. The next TEC retreat is set for June 23-25 at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. TEC is a high-energy and spirit-filled retreat where young adults explore and deepen their faith. Weekends are filled with witness talks, group discussions, personal reflections/prayer, recreations and live music. The TEC retreat is for young adults ages 17 (or a second semester junior) and up and the cost is \$100 for the weekend. For more information or to register, visit <https://tecofctx.wordpress.com>.