

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, A.D. 2017

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 16	5:00 PM	Lauren Buchhorn (healing)
Sunday	Sept 17	8:30 AM	Rosie Fonville (healing)
Sunday	Sept 17	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Sept 18	7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	Sept 19	6:00 PM	†Adolf & Mary Schwertner
Wednesday	Sept 20	6:30 PM	†Greg Maney
Thursday	Sept 21	7:00 AM	For Life
Friday	Sept 22	6:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (healing)
Saturday	Sept 23	7:30 AM	For the Blessing of Rain
Saturday	Sept 23	5:00 PM	†Albin & Janette Zurovetz
Sunday	Sept 24	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 24	10:30 AM	†Joe Domel and for Mary Schwertner (healing)

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, September 20:

Altar Servers: Jamie Danek, Jakob Voigt, Joseph Brousseau

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Lucille Nemec

Gift Bearers: Confirmation 1

Saturday, September 23, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Preston Snook

Lector: Janine Nemec

EMHC: Keith Youngpeter, Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh

Gift Bearers: John & Mary Ann Valenta

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, September 24:

8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, Adelaide Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: John & Cynthia Edgar, James Nemec

Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek

Head Usher: A.J. Batla

10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C, Heron Rodriguez, Jarrod Hodgson

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EMHC: Kelly Godfrey

Gift Bearers: Troy & Cynthia Clawson family

Head Usher: Frank Knappek

EMHC to Shut-ins: September 24: John Edgar

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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 are placed in loving memory of
Rudy & Della Fojtik and Rudy & Elizabeth Vrana
and are donated by Gene & Deanna Fojtik.

Last Week's Collection(s)

Sept 10: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$4,580.49
& Hurricane Relief Collection: \$8,418.10

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.

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

September 17 - 23: Pinto & Lucille Nemec

September 24 - 30: Helen Havelka

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 17: --Annual Bazaar

Tuesday, September 19: --RCIA Class

Wednesday, September 20: --CCE Classes

Thursday, September 21: --Pro-Life Adoration

Sunday, September 24: --Confraternity of Christian Mothers

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the families of
Robert Dusza (father to Jennifer Engledow of our parish family)
and **Isabel Havelka Fiebrich (Frymire)**, both of whom died last
week. Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Join us today (Sunday, Sept 17) as we celebrate our annual Bazaar!

The festivities begin with a delicious meal of BBQ & Fried Chicken from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg.

(Adults \$10 / Children \$5) (adult plate drive-thru from 11 am – 12:30 pm)

Enjoy an afternoon full of fun for the entire family ... including homemade kolaches for sale, live polka music during the meal, cake walk, children's games, bingo, silent & live auctions and a raffle drawing with a \$1,000 Visa grand prize, plus 18 more great prizes!

BBQ by the Pound – at the Pit from 8 am – noon. Hamburgers in the PAC at 2:30 pm.

Invite your friends & family for good food, fun and fellowship!

Timeline for the Day

FOOD

8 a.m. to noon - BBQ at the Pit

10:30 a.m. - Kolache Sales

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. – BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner

2:30 p.m. - Hamburgers

ACTIVITIES

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. - Silent Auction (1 round only)

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. - Polka Music

11:30 a.m. – Cake Walk & Children's Games

1:30 p.m. – Live Auction & Bingo

Just a few REMINDERS for our parishioners!

† Don't forget your CAKES for the Cake Walk

† Sweets are needed for the meal's Dessert table

† Please remember, if you are working at the Bazaar on Sunday, we ask that you park between the PAC bldg and the Cemetery so that there is sufficient parking for our guests at the PAC

Thank you!

The family of Bernadette Schwertner would like to thank everyone for their prayers, sympathies, cards, food and visits during their time of loss. Thank you also to all who prepared and helped with the funeral meal. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness.

We congratulate and welcome **Zanely Eymerson Wilson** (infant daughter of Richard & Becky Wilson) into the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Thank you to those who enrolled their family members and/or friends in the "Back to School" CEF Drive. Your donations of \$388 will help to educate our diocesan seminarians.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Catholics and the Bible.

CCE: Class this Wednesday, September 20, from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. For all questions and information, contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htc dre@yahoo.com). *****Attn: 1st & 2nd Grade Parents:** there will be a required parent/student meeting this week (Sept 20) in the RE Bldg after Mass to discuss important information about your child(ren)'s sacrament program.

We will have our annual **Catechetical Recognition** this Wednesday, September 20, at the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Please join us as we offer our prayers and thanks to this year's Catechists and CCE program volunteers.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, September 21, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church. Everyone is invited to come and spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet** next Sunday, September 24, in the RE Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Agenda items include October's Bake Sale and the Austin DCCW Board Meeting brunch/lunch. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. (Members will sit in the front pews of the church to lead the Rosary prayed before that 8:30 a.m. Mass.)

The **Men's Prayer Group will meet** on Monday, September 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Contact Pete Zenner for more information (512-863-4038).

The **Cemetery Committee will meet** on Thursday, September 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.

--**Sunday, September 24: St. Elizabeth Church**, in Pflugerville, Annual Fall Fiesta – 10:30 am – 5 pm – food, fun & entertainment for the entire family (1520 N Railroad Ave, Pflugerville)

--**Sunday, September 24: St. Joseph's Church**, in Cyclone, 72nd Annual Picnic – Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner, served at 10:30 am for \$10/plate. Afternoon of family fun (see flyer on bulletin board)

--**Sunday, October 1: St. Matthew Church**, in Rogers, Fall Festival – BBQ Pulled Pork & Sausage Dinner at 11 am (\$10/plate) with an afternoon of fun for everyone (14051 US-190, Rogers) (see flyer on bulletin board)

--**Sunday, October 8: Our Lady of Guadalupe Church**, in Taylor, Jamaica 2017 – 8 am – 9 pm, at Murphy Park in Taylor (1600 Veterans Dr.). For more information, please visit www.NSDGuadalupe.org.

*****Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will be here next weekend (Sept 23/24) to sell Raffle Tickets for their Jamaica.**

--**Sunday, October 8: Church of the Visitation**, in Westphalia, 111th Annual Picnic & Homecoming – Fried Chicken & Sausage meal at 11:00 a.m. and games, music, live auction (see flyer on bulletin board) (144 CR 3000, Westphalia)

--**Sunday, October 15: St. Helen Church**, in Georgetown, Fall Festival – day full of food and fun – begins at 10 am on their church grounds (see flyer on bulletin board) (2700 E University, Georgetown)

--**Sunday, October 15: St. Stephen Church**, in Salado, Fall Festival – Dinner served from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm with a day full of activities, classic car show, and more food & fun (see flyer on bulletin board) (601 FM 2268, Salado)

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. I would like to welcome all of our visitors with us today who are here to attend our parish bazaar. I hope all of you have a most blessed and enjoyable day. Thank you for coming to Holy Trinity Parish. We appreciate your presence here and your support.

This Thursday, September 21, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Matthew, one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. Mass will be at the usual time of 7:00 a.m. and I encourage everyone who is able to attend as we honor St. Matthew for his faithfulness to Jesus and to His Church.

Last week, we heard of the necessity to be a forgiving people. This week, Jesus stresses it all the more. In today's gospel, Jesus tells us, *"So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."* And in the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew 6:14-15, Jesus tells us, *"If you forgive the faults of others, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours. If you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive you."* I think that we need to take these words very seriously and reflect upon them to determine how well we are doing in forgiving others.

In order for us to be forgiven, and to forgive others, we need to realize that there are certain conditions of forgiveness.

1. The first is that we recognize our need to be forgiven. This is the starting place of all forgiveness. Have you ever tried to forgive someone who did not want to be forgiven? I think you would find it an impossible task. No matter how much forgiveness there may be in your heart, you cannot give it to the person who doesn't want it. In the same way, if we do not seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, then we will not be forgiven.

2. The second condition is that we accept forgiveness. Forgiveness is a free gift. We do not earn it or pay for it. But we do have to accept it. Otherwise, it does no good. Forgiveness does not take away the sin we have done, but it does restore our relationship with God and also with the person whom we have sinned against and hurt. When you and I sin, we violate a trust. We alienate ourselves from someone who loves us. Forgiveness takes us back and trusts us once again. We must swallow our pride and accept the free gift of forgiveness. And that includes forgiving ourselves as well.

3. There is one other condition to being forgiven. And it is that we share it. The man in today's gospel was a failure at this point. He was forgiven but he refused to forgive the debt of a fellow servant. The result was that his debt was reinstated. This story simply means that an unforgiving person cannot be forgiven until they are willing to forgive.

If forgiveness is to become a reality in your life and mine, these three conditions must be met. First, we must recognize our need to be forgiven. Second, we must accept the forgiveness. And third, we must share this forgiveness with others. We must not go through life unwilling to forgive one another. Unless you and I forgive one another, no one, not even God, will forgive us. But if I forgive you and if you forgive me, we have the promise that God forgives us both, whatever our failures might be.

May all of you have a blessed and forgiving week.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

"When you stand to pray, forgive anyone against whom you have a grievance, so that your heavenly Father may in turn forgive you your transgressions." Mark 11:25

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, ¹³bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do.¹⁴ And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection." Colossians 3:12-14

Catholic Social Teaching Corner: September 16/17 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Scripture readings for the great feast remind us of Christ's merciful love and sacrifice for us. Jesus emptied himself for our sake and gave his life for our salvation. How do we mirror God's love in our world? What sacrifices are we willing to make? Are they only for those near to us, our family and friends? How can we show merciful and sacrificial love for strangers or even enemies? What act of love or sacrifice can you make for the poor, a prisoner, or an enemy this week in gratitude for the great love God has shown to you?

The Shepherd Who Did Not Run, a weekend retreat, will be held Sept. 29 – Oct. 1 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The book, "The Shepherd Who Did Not Run," by Maria Scaperlanda is based on the life of Fr. Stanley Rother who was recently declared the first U.S. born martyr by Pope Francis. His beatification Mass will be held in Oklahoma City on September 23. Scaperlanda will present Fr. Rother's story of heroic service to the people of Guatemala and her experience of the beatification ceremony. Cost is \$195 for a shared room and \$95 for commuter. To register, call (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

Rediscover your marriage with the help of Retrouvaille - Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means "rediscovery." The program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse, and a loving relationship in their marriage. Many couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending this program. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, not a social gathering. For confidential information about the next program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 6-8 call 800-470-2230 or visit the website at www.helpourmarriage.com.

The 100 Years of Our Lady of Fatima retreat will be held at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton on October 13 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. In the spring of 1917, three children reported a vision of a beautiful lady in Fatima, Portugal. The last time the Blessed Mother appeared to them was October 13, 1917. Brian Egan, Beverly Collin and Deacon Klaus Adam will lead the retreat. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register, call (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

Share the Journey is a campaign that Pope Francis is initiating on September 27, 2017. Pope Francis has invited all Catholics to join in this worldwide campaign, whose focus is to draw attention to the tragedy of the more than 65 million refugees and immigrants in the world today. Here in the United States, we are being called to give a visible demonstration of support to refugees and immigrants.

In support of Pope Francis, and in collaboration with Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Relief Services, the bishops of the USA have also designated the week of October 7-13 as a "Week of Prayer and Action" for the purpose of promoting a culture of encounter to counteract the culture of indifference.

We ask that you visit the national website for **Share the Journey** (<https://www.loveyourneighbor.us/>), which has many resources for the *Week of Prayer and Action*. We encourage you to see the many possible ways in which you can use them to highlight this important endeavor of the universal Church.

Catholic Charities of Central Texas (CCCTX) is coordinating the diocesan relief efforts for families impacted by the recent hurricanes and flooding. Visit www.ccctx.org for more information on how to offer help and to provide assistance for the victims of the storm.

Pray! Volunteer! (contact Claire-Bordelon@ccctx.org to learn about volunteer opportunities) **Donate!** (ccctx.org/donate)
If you have been impacted by floods, call their Disaster Response Hotline at (512) 766-7111 or e-mail disaster@ccctx.org for help.

Volunteers needed at CCCTX Austin location - Catholic Charities of Central Texas has an urgent need for volunteers to staff the Hope Donation Center at CCCTX Austin location. The Hope Donation Center serves the immediate needs of the Gabriel Project Life Center (GPLC), which provides compassionate, practical, **life**-affirming alternatives to abortion. Current needs include help sorting through donations, matching, packaging and stocking clothing items and filling Material Needs Orders for clients. Training is provided. Current priority shifts are Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. For more information, contact Claire Bordelon (claire-bordelon@ccctx.org or (512) 651-6159).

Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM): Are you aware of sexual or physical abuse or neglect of a child or vulnerable adult? 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 to 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 Confidential Notice of Concern should be submitted to the diocesan Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Office at (512) 949-2400. The Confidential Notice of Concern can be found at www.austindiocese.org (click on the link HOW TO REPORT ABUSE). Reports may be made anonymously.