HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, A.D. 2018

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 3	5:00 PM	AJ & Jennifer Batla (50th Anniversary)
Sunday	Feb 4	8:30 AM	†Jeff Taylor
Sunday	Feb 4	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Feb 6	6:00 PM	†William H., Jr. & and Lydia Whitlow
Wednesday	Feb 7	6:30 PM	† Greg Maney
Thursday	Feb 8	7:00 AM	†Angela Danek
Friday	Feb 9	7:00 AM	†Leslie Zolbe
Saturday	Feb 10	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Feb 11	8:30 AM	†Deceased members of Joseph & Annie Straka family
Sunday	Feb 11	10:30 AM	†Joan Tinnerello
Sunday	Feb 11	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Benefactors of the Czech Seminarian Fund

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 PM

Altar Servers: John Danek, Maria Bruce, Amy Stefek

Lector: Natalie Mason
EMHC: Brandi Bernal
Gift Bearers: Faith Formation

Saturday, February 10, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Maria Bruce, Natalie Mason, Preston Snook

Lector: Lupe Bernal

EMHC: Irene Cavanaugh, Patsy Hightower, Brandi Bernal

Gift Bearers: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, February 11, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: William , Adelaide & Joseph Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: John & Cynthia Edgar, Ray Nemec

Gift Bearers: Lucille Nemec Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

Sunday, February 11, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Abby Hodgson, Jarrod Hodgson, Jakob Voigt

Lector: Jill Horner

EMHC: Kelly Godfrey, Keith Youngpeter, Pete Zenner

Gift Bearers: Richard & Julia Hodgson

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

Sunday, February 11, 5:00 PM Czech Mass

Altar Servers: Jamie Danek, Jenna Danek, Carter Marquis

EMHC: Jim Heuertz, James Nemec Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer Head Usher: Frank Knapek

EMHC to Shut-ins: February 11: John Edgar

🕆 Fr. Stephen Nesrsta 🕈

Website: www.holytrinityofcornhill.org Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Klepac (512-863-3020) Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

Weekend Masses: Saturday @ 5:00 pm

Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 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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Last Week's Collection(s)

January 28: Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$3,732.00

Faith Formation: \$1,313.24

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

February 4- February 10: Tim & Gwyn Vrabel
February 11- February 17: Brousseau Family

Altar Flowers

Flowers next to the Statue of the Blessed Mother are placed in honor of Jennifer Klepac and donated by Lucille & Frank D'Elia.

The flowers with St. Joseph are placed in memory of Hubert Klepac and donated by Helen Havelka.

This Week at a Glance

--Cemetery Committee Meeting

Sunday, February 11: --Diocesan Special Collection

--Czech Mass

In Memoriam

We pray for the soul of **Fr. Oliver Weerakkody** who served in our Diocese for many years and who died this past week. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

We will have a **special collection** next weekend (February 10/11) for **Catholic Higher Education** in the Diocese of Austin, which helps to promote the Catholic Faith & Campus Ministries at several universities and colleges – a time and place when young adults need it the most! Please be generous.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, February 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: The Consecrated Life

All parishioners and visitors are invited to **Hospitality Sunday** today, February 4th in the PAC Bldg. immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Thank you to the Charles & Jennifer Marquis family for preparing the refreshments.

Our monthly Senior Citizens' Supper will be held Monday, February 5th at 6:30 pm. in the PAC Bldg. Thank you to the Confraternity of Christian Mothers for preparing the meal.

Holy Trinity Cemetery Committee will be this Thursday, February 8, at 7:00 pm in the RE Bldg.

The Georgetown/Round Rock Deanery Council of Catholic Women will meet on Thursday, February 8th at St. Helen's in Georgetown. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting to start at 10 a.m. All ladies are welcome and encourage to attend as they share in fellowship and carry out the mission of the National Council of Catholic Women. For any questions or more information, please contact Linda Montreuil at 512-864-2451.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, February 7, from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. For all CCE questions and information, contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

Join us for **Pro-Life Adoration** this Thursday, February 8th, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church. Come and spend some time with our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

We will celebrate our annual **Czech Mass** next Sunday, February 11, at 5:00 p.m. This Mass is offered in honor of the patron saints of the Slavic peoples, Sts. Cyril & Methodius, and all readings and hymns will be in the Czech language. Whether or not you are of Czech descent, or if you speak or do not speak the Czech language, we invite you to join us for this beautiful Mass. Help us to give tribute to the ancestors who started this community and this parish, by celebrating our Czech heritage. Many of our parishioners today are descendants of these founders. A meal will be held afterward in the PAC Bldg for those attending the Mass.

The Lenten Season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14. *Mark your calendars* to attend one of our three Masses that day (7 am, 12 Noon, or 6:30 pm) and to attend Stations of the Cross each Wednesday evening (beginning February 21) at 6:30 p.m. (during Lent, our Wednesday weekday Mass will be celebrated at 7 am).

Fast and Abstinence During Lent: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence and Fridays are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully, and to celebrate more readily, His Resurrection.

The **Ash Wednesday day of reflection** will be held February 14 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Cheryl Maxwell, popular speaker and retreat leader, will facilitate the day, which will begin with Mass and the distribution of ashes. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information or to register for these retreats call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.

The **Silent Lenten Retreat** will be held at Cedarbrake in Belton, February 16-18. Mass will be celebrated Saturday and Sunday. Spiritual direction will also be available. Come take advantage of the quiet and enter into the Lenten season of preparation. The cost is \$185 per person. For more information or to register for these retreats call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

<u>Do you ever wish you could "get more" out of Mass?</u> For many of us, the Mass might, in a certain sense, be almost too familiar. We show up at church and perform prayers and rituals that many of us have known since childhood. But what do all these prayers and rituals mean? Well here is your chance to really understand why we do what we do in Mass. We are happy to announce that we will be offering a Bible Study entitled <u>A Biblical Walk Through the Mass.</u> This is a 5 part study, and each session includes a 30 minute video segment followed by workbook questions and discussion. We will meet on Wednesday evenings immediately following the 6:30 PM Stations of the Cross in the PAC for 90 minute sessions. The dates for the Study are: Feb. 21st, Feb. 28th, March 7th, March 21st and March 28th.

The parish has purchased the program itself, but each participant is asked to pay a fee of \$25 for their materials, which will be due on the first night of class (Feb. 21st). To sign up for these classes, please see the sheet in the church foyer. Everyone is welcome and we hope that you will share this opportunity with family and friends!!

For guestions, contact Pete or Nancy Zenner at 512-863-4038 or npzenner@suddenlink.net, or the parish office.

Many of you may have heard about our local schools and "The Locker Project". The 'Locker Project" is a non-profit, student led, service learning organization that focuses on 'kids helping kids". The "Locker Project" provides basic necessities to students while they are in school. Items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo and soap are always in demand. As adults we now have the chance to help this group by providing some necessary items for distribution to students who are truly in need of some basic essentials. This Lenten season our parish will help our local Locker here in the Jarrell School District by collecting items that are needed in order to keep the locker fully stocked. Necessary items are all personal hygiene items such as shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste or any other personal hygiene items. The locker also can supply necessary school supplies such as notebooks, pens/pencils. Non-perishable food items such as granola or breakfast bars, assorted cracker packs and beef jerky. The items can be placed in the basket marked "Locker Project" located in the vestibule of the church or brought to the parish office. For questions please contact Lucille D'Elia at 737-215-1042 or the parish office.

ATTENTION EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION- There will be a Re-Commissioning Class on Sunday, February 18th at 4 p.m. All current EMHC must attend. If for some reason you are not able to attend, you will need to contact Father Stephen to schedule a makeup class. Anyone who would like to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is welcome to attend this class as well. For information, please contact the parish office or talk to Fr. Stephen.

KJT Society #28, Granger will be hosting a Fried Pork Steak Dinner at SSCM Hall, Granger on Sunday, February 11th after the 10 AM Mass. Serving will begin at 11 AM. Adult plates will be \$10 and Take-Out Plates will be available in the kitchen. Everyone is invited!

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Thank you to everyone who made last week's fundraiser for the Cemetery Fund a great success. We thank especially those who set up the PAC and who did all the cooking and cleaning. Thank you to everyone who made donations in the "January Fundrasier" envelopes. You are truly a people who give of yourselves for the good of the parish and for others. We will have a report available after we receive and calculate all the expenses.

Today's first reading from the Book of Job is rather depressing. Everyone probably feels this way at one time or another in their life. Is this what you are feeling? Do you seem to be without hope? Our only hope is in Jesus Christ. If we try to find security and happiness in the material things of this world we will definitely lose hope. We must remember that our only trust can be in God and His Son Jesus and the presence of the Holy Spirit among us. With God there is never a lack of hope. It is only when we put all of our focus on the material things of this world or just in other people that we find disappointment, hurt, and we begin to lose hope. Keep yourself and your family deeply rooted in God and in His Church and your hope will not waiver. To be deeply rooted in God and His Church mean to go to Mass every week, pray and read the Bible at home, make a good confession regularly, do things that foster your life of faith like going to the Stations of the Cross during Lent, pray the rosary, listen to Christian music, watch EWTN, spend time in quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle. All these things help us to grow in faith and to grow closer to God. With God we cannot lose hope!

Today's Gospel tells us how Jesus entered the house of Simon Peter and Andrew and Simon's mother-in-law was ill. He immediately healed her and she waited on them. Apparently Simon's wife was already deceased by this time. This would have made it possible to leave all behind and give his full attention to Jesus so that he could be an apostle. In this same Gospel it says that Jesus drove out many demons. There are many demons in the world that have infiltrated the minds of our leaders in government and even some within the Church. We need to call on Jesus to drive these demons out so that we can truly be faithful to Him in every way possible and live in harmony with Him.

The Klepac family continues to heal. Jennifer is still in the hospital but is healing and getting stronger each day. She thanks each of you for your prayers and for the assistance you are providing for her family. Jennifer has worked for Holy Trinity for many years and since she is an employee of our parish we are able to accept monetary donations for the Klepac family to help with any needs they may have at this time or in the future. **Please make your check payable to Holy Trinity Catholic Church.** You may bring your cash or check donation by the office, or put it in the collection, or give it to Fr. Stephen. Please be sure to write on the envelope "The Klepac Family." This will not be able to be a tax deductible donation. Please continue to keep the Klepac family in your daily prayers.

May the blessings of our Lord be with you all.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

CCE NEWS & EVENTS - FEB. 2018

It seems that we just put away the Christmas decorations and it is now almost time for the season of Lent. It is a wonderful thing that our liturgical calendar gives us some "Ordinary Time" so that we get an extra chance to grow closer to Jesus.

This Lent we will once again be able to have our students attend Stations of the Cross at 6:30 and afterwards we will have class. Experiencing this powerful devotion gives us a chance to teach our children the true meaning of the sacrifice that our Savior endured for our sake. All families should do their best to attend each Wednesday evening and if you would like to sit together as a family, please feel free to do so. Afterwards please have your child(ren) come to the RE building for class.

We are also busy getting ready for Confirmation which will take place on March 11^{th} . This year we have three young ladies who will be receiving the Sacrament. Please continue to pray for them as they prepare to receive this beautiful Sacrament.

Our CCE Program will be helping with both the Ashes to Easter boxes and also our "Fill the Locker" parish Lent programs. Please see the bulletin for information on both of those social ministry programs.

As most of you know, a truly cherished member of our parish family has suffered a horrible loss recently. Our catechists have been working with the children to help them understand the situation and to help explain how we as Catholics can help. The children have been making cards and saying prayers for the family. We continue to keep Jennifer Klepac and her family in our prayers and we ask that you do the same.

As our program continues to grow, we are happy to welcome back some familiar faces as catechists. Rosie Fonville has now returned to the program in the Pre-K and Kindergarten classes. We have even persuaded another favorite, Mrs. Hodgson, to return. She will be working with our $3/4^{\rm th}$ graders. Stephanie Wright is back working with our Faith Formation class and Louise Straka has agreed to stay with us and help out where necessary. We are truly blessed to have the wonderful catechists and helpers who are truly the heart of our program.





Mark your calendars

February 7th – Mass: 6:30 PM

7:00-8:00 PM Class
Gift Bearers – Faith Formation

February 14th –NO CCE

Holy Day - Please attend Mass with your family

February 21 st-:

Stations of the Cross: 6:30 PM 7:00- 8:00 PM Class

February 28^{th:}

Stations of the Cross – 6:30 PM 7:00-8:00 PM Class



ATTENTION CCE PARENTS:

This Lent we have a wonderful opportunity for you to attend your own Faith Formation class while your children are in their classes. The Adult Program will offer a terrific bible study focusing on the Mass. This is a beautiful program and will certainly be of help as you discuss faith with your children. You will be able to help them understand the different parts of the Mass. Classes will take place on Wednesday evenings in the PAC during our scheduled CCE class times. Don't miss this great opportunity. There is a materials fee of \$25 due the first night of class, however there are scholarships available. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 737-215-1042 or httcdre@yahoo.com.