HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

Third Sunday of Lent

March 4, A.D. 2018

Mass Schedule & Intentions

| Saturday | Mar 3 | 5:00PM | KJZT # 15 St. Agnes of Bohemia |
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| Sunday | Mar 4 | 8:30AM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Mar 4 | 10:30AM | †Mary Zeigler |
| Monday | Mar 5 | 6:00PM | Living/Dec'd Members of the Czech Seminarian Fund |
| Tuesday | Mar 6 | 6:00PM | †Connie Quevedo |
| Wednesday | Mar 7 | 7:00AM | †Angela Danek |
| Thursday | Mar 8 | 7:00AM | †Joe Janosec |
| Friday | Mar 9 | 7:00AM | For Greater Respect of Life |
| Saturday | Mar 10 | 7:30AM | Craig & Krystle |
| Saturday | Mar 10 | 5:00PM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Mar 11 | 8:30AM | †Tommie Rose Martine |
| Sunday | Mar 11 | 10:30AM | For our Confirmandi |

Mass Ministry Reminders

Stations of the Cross Wednesday, March 7, 6:30 PM: Altar Servers: Jamie & Jenna Danek, Lucas Beyer

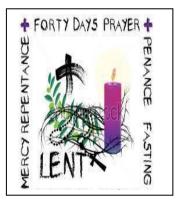
Saturday, March 10, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Maria Bruce, Natalie Mason, Preston Snook Lector: Janine Nemec EMHC: Leo Bringman, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Gift Bearers: Snook Family Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, March 11, 8:30 AM: Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, Lucas Beyer, Martin Ortiz Lector: Cynthia Edgar EMHC: John & Cynthia Edgar, Ray Nemec Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemec Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

CONFIRMATION 10:30 AM: Altar Servers: John, Jamie & Jenna Danek, Jakob Voigt Lector: Kelly Godfrey EMHC: Nancy Zenner Gift Bearers: Confirmandi Head Usher: Bill Sherek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, March 11: John Edgar



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Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042 Financial Bookkeeper: Laura Soto 317-767-9782 Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals & Info: Parish Office Cemetery Information: Parish Office Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301 Cemetery Maintenance: Ken Loudermilk 512-869-7351 Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074 Finance Council: Tommy Sladecek 512-746-5881 Pastoral Council: Pete Zenner 512-863-4038 Pro-Life Prayer Group: Chris Garlasco 860-689-3021 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 K.J.Z.T. Society #15: Dorothy Klepac 512-746-2902 Catholic Life Insurance #50: Tommy Sladecek 512-635-3496

Last Week's Collection(s)

February 25: Second Sunday Of Lent: \$3,544.00 Faith Formation: \$1,485.48

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

is open to all parishioners. To sign up, call the parish office. **March 4 – March 10: Rodney & Gwenda Bruce** March 11- March 17: Renee & James Gragg

This Week at a Glance

Saturday, March 3: Monday, March 5: Tuesday, March 6: Wednesday, March 7:

Thursday, March 8: Sunday, March 11: --Potluck Supper --Senior Supper --RCIA Class --Stations of the Cross --CCE Classes --Bible Study --Pro-Life Adoration --Confirmation

--Penance Service

In Memoriam

Please pray for the soul of **Fr. Kevin Wade Russell** of our Diocese who died this past week. Please pray for the soul of **Hubert Klepac** of our parish family. The Rosary will be held on Friday, March 9th at 7:00 PM. The Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Saturday, March 10th at 10 AM. Both will take place here in the church. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. RCIA: Class this Tuesday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Building. Discussion: Catholic Social Teachings

CCE: All classes will attend Stations of the Cross and then we will go to the RE Building for our regular classes. For all CCE questions and information, contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

We will have a **diocesan special collection** next weekend, March 10/11, for **Catholic Relief Services (CRS)**, which helps children, women and families around the world. The six worldwide organizations supported by the collection provide immediate humanitarian aid, pastoral support and disaster relief to our suffering brothers and sisters around the globe.

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



If you would like to help decorate the church for the Easter season with Easter Lilies & Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, you may do so by completing and returning an **Easter Flower Envelope** (located by the bulletins). Please turn in envelopes by Sunday, March 25th, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

Daylight Savings Time Begins next weekend. Move your clocks forward one hour before going to bed next Saturday, March 10.

Join us during Lent in meditating on the suffering and death of our Lord at Stations of the Cross every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Take the opportunity to cleanse your heart, mind and soul next Sunday, March 11th, at 5:00 p.m., at our Lenten Penance Service.

Choir practice for the Easter Season will be held on Wednesday evenings, immediately following the Stations of the Cross. New members are welcome. For more information, please contact Ronnie Simek (512-630-5074).

Don't forget to drop off your items in the basket in the vestibule of the church for the **Locker Project**. Especially needed are trial sizes of toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc. For questions please contact the parish office.

During the Season of Lent, it is important that we reconcile ourselves with one another, and with God! Please take the time for you and your family to go to Confession ... that your hearts, souls and minds will be ready for the Sacrifice and Resurrection of our Lord. The following are several opportunities for Confession in our area: St. Joseph in Manor: Wednesday, March 7, 7:00 p.m. (English & Spanish) Holy Trinity of Corn Hill: Sunday, March 11, 5:00 p.m. (English & Spanish) St. Mary in Taylor: Sunday, March 18, 6:00 p.m. (English & Spanish) St. John Vianney in Round Rock: Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m. (English & Spanish) St. William in Round Rock: Wednesday, March 21, 7:00 p.m. (English & Spanish)

All parishioners and visitors are invited to celebrate with us on Saturday, March 3, at our **Saturday Parish Potluck**, in the PAC Bldg, immediately after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Please bring your favorite dish and/or dessert to share (which you can drop off at the PAC before Mass). We thank the CYM for coordinating the evening's festivities.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held on Monday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We thank the Moravian Club for preparing the delicious meal.

Our Lenten Bible Study entitled <u>A Biblical Walk Through the Mass</u> continues this Wednesday evening immediately following the Stations of the Cross. There is still time to sign up and take part in this powerful Lenten journey. For questions, contact Pete or Nancy Zenner at 512-863-4038 or <u>npzenner@suddenlink.net</u>, or the parish office.

From Ashes to Easter: We are blessed by the gracious gift of Jesus Christ, who transformed human history with His infinite and compassionate love. Through His Spirit, His grace has been poured into our hearts. With open and merciful hearts, we are invited to share our blessings. As we add coins to our Ashes to Easter box each day, we will bring hope to struggling missions. Please pray a Hail Mary for the missions. Lent boxes can be picked up by the bulletins and should be returned at Easter.

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.

Join SSCM Religious Education for their Annual Fundraiser March 4, 2018. A homemade enchilada dinner will be served for \$8.50 beginning at 11:00am. Come shop at our Religious Articles Store, buy some raffle tickets with some great prizes and enjoy some fellowship. All proceeds go to help support programs like VBS, Upper Room, Youth Ministry, Living Stations just to name a few. Thank you for your support.



All are invited to help celebrate! In commemoration of St. Joseph's feast day, the Confraternity of Christian Mothers will host a **St. Joseph's Altar** on Monday, March 19, in the PAC Bldg after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. This altar is a reflection of the deep devotion to St. Joseph, who is the patron saint of those in need. Fr. Stephen will bless the altar and then all participants may sample the (meatless) foods on the altar. Keeping in tradition of a St. Joseph's Altar, a donation basket will be available for a contribution to be given to the poor (The Caring Place).

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. Thank you to everyone who sent cards and best wishes for my birthday. May God's blessings be upon you.

Please pray for those who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Sunday, March 11, at the 10:30 am Mass. May the Holy Spirit descend upon them and remain with them all the days of their life.

In this bulletin is listed the Lenten Penance Services in our area. Please be sure to make a good confession before Easter. Our Penance Service will be next Sunday, March 11, at 5:00 pm. We will have five priests hearing confessions to take advantage of this opportunity to receive the love and forgiveness of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

On this Third Sunday of Lent we have in today's Gospel the story of Jesus throwing the money changers out of the Temple. The money changers were a necessary part of regular Temple religious activities. The problem was that these money changers were lying, cheating, and stealing from the people whom they were there to serve. They were breaking the Ten Commandments as given to us in today's First Reading from the Book of Exodus. In doing so they were defiling or desecrating the Temple in Jerusalem making it impure for worship. Jesus could not allow this to happen. Do we have the same zeal for the House of the Lord, our church, by keeping it as God would want it to be kept? Do we desecrate it by our actions or by the words we speak when we enter this building? Do we recognize our church as the House of God? Do we act with reverence when we are in church by keeping our voices down and not speaking loudly to one another? Do we show respect to one another and offer to each other the love of God while we are in church? May we have the same zeal for the House of God as Jesus.

You may want to take some time to reflect upon the Ten Commandments and then read today's Responsorial Psalm which comes from Psalm 19, verses 8-11. Do we view God's Law as it is described in this Psalm?

Don't forget to attend Stations of the Cross every week during Lent with your family. Stations are on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Come and pray the Way of the Cross and walk with our Lord in His suffering so that you can experience the resurrection with Him.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Reminder for Fridays during Lent to abstain from meat ... and we fast and abstain on Good Friday!

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

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The second reading for this Sunday reminds us that the power of Jesus, our Crucified Lord is greater than what every culture of that time or any time has to offer. God's power and wisdom go beyond what we can even imagine. As we listen to the "wisdom" and "power" of the political voices that rule the news airwaves, Paul's letter to the Corinthians can help us to remember to pay attention to "God's folly and God's weakness". We have much to learn from Christ who looked so foolish and weak and yet all true power was his and is his. How can we confront the false powers of today with God's folly and weakness which is true power?

Upcoming activities at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton

The **Cancer Survivors Retreat** will be held March 10 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This retreat will be a time for survivors to share their stories. Wanda Gibson, a spiritual director and cancer survivor, will lead this prayerful day of reflection. Whether you are celebrating one week or 20 years since your cancer experience you are invited to join us as we allow our mind, body and spirit to engage, heal, rest and rejoice. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information or to register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

Discovering Your True Self will be held March 21 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will be based on the book by Father Richard Rohr entitled, "The Immortal Diamond." Deep within us is the true self; however, it has been hidden by who or what we think we should be. We will spend the day identifying the false images we hold on to as we ask the Lord to show us the beauty of our true selves. Bev Collin, assistant director of Cedarbrake, will present this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information or to register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

Healing through the Heart of Jesus will be held April 14 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The focus will be on our identity as God's loved ones and on the wounds that prevent us from living that identity. Father Charlie Garza, pastor of St. Martin de Porres Parish in Dripping Springs, will be the presenter. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information or to register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

Seeking the Holy Art Journaling Retreat will be held April 27-29 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Art journaling is the use of simple art materials, Scripture and contemplative prayer to help us to respond to the Holy within. Sister Marianne Hieb, RSM, DMin, a member of the Lourdes Wellness Spirituality Retreat Team, will lead this retreat. The cost is \$220 for a private room and includes art supplies, or \$180 for a shared room and includes art supplies. For more information or to register, call Cedarbrake at (254) 780-2436 or visit www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.

Lenten Fish Fries

The youth of **St. Stephen Parish in Salado** will hold a Lenten Fish Fry on Fridays during Lent from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Plates are \$10 each and include fried fish, hush puppies, fries, coleslaw, beans, dessert and a beverage. All proceeds benefit the St. Stephen Youth Group.

The Religious Education Office at San José Parish in Austin will host Friday Fish Fries from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. during Lent. Plates include fried catfish, fries, slaw, corn or beans and tea; all for \$7 a plate. Additionally there will be desserts and sodas for purchase. Proceeds will benefit the Faith Formation Program at the parish.

St. Mary Parish in Caldwell will hold Fried Fish Dinners on Fridays during Lent from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Plates are \$10 each and only available via drive-through.

The Knights of Columbus at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Cedar Park will hold Fish Dinners on Fridays during Lent from 4 to 7:30 p.m. in the Benish Center. The meal includes a serving of baked, grilled or fried fish, hush puppies, coleslaw, fries, beans, dessert and a beverage. The cost is \$10 per plate.