## HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 12, A.D. 2018

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Aug 11	5:00 PM	†Cyril & Margaret Kohoutek
Sunday	Aug 12	8:30 AM	†Frank & Anastasia Knapek
Sunday	Aug 12	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Aug 13	7:00 AM	†Angela Danek
Tuesday	Aug 14	7:00 AM	†Paul & Rosalie Nemec
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation			
Wednesday	Aug 15	7:00 AM	Pro Populo
		12 Noon	†Doris Nesrsta and †Louis Stojanik
		6:30 PM	†Johnnie Simek
Thursday	Aug 16	6:30 PM	†Petra A. Moreno
Friday	Aug 17	7:00 AM	Liv/Dec Members of KJZT #15
Saturday	Aug 18	7:30 AM	Marshall, Brielle & Conner Cooke
Saturday	Aug 18	5:00 PM	†Joe & Amanda Tschoerner
Sunday	Aug 19	8:30 AM	†Ted & Gabriella Nemec
Sunday	Aug 19	10:30 AM	Pro Populo

### Altar Flowers

The flowers with the Blessed Mother and with St. Joseph are placed in loving memory of **Fred & Barbara Palousek** and are donated by Mary Dale Putegnat.

## Last Week's Collection(s)

August 5: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$5,330.16

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Come spend some time with our Lord!

## Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, call the parish office. August 12 – 18: Pinto & Lucille Nemec August 19 – 25: Josh & Steffani Jacobs

## This Week at a Glance

Sat/Sun, Aug 11/12:	Back to School CEF Enrollments
Wednesday, August 15:	Holy Day of Obligation
	Parish Offices Closed
Thursday, August 16:	Pro-Life Adoration

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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 CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemec 512-289-9242

## Mass Ministry Reminders

#### Wed, Aug 15: Assmptn of Blessed Virgin Mary-HolyDay Obligation

#### 7:00 AM:

Altar Servers: Natalie Mason & VOLUNTEERS Lector: Cynthia Edgar EMHC: John & Cynthia Edgar Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

#### Noon:

Altar Servers: VOLUNTEERS Lector: Nancy Zenner EMHC: Pete Zenner, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

#### 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, John & Jenna Danek Lector: Kelly Godfrey EMHC: Janine Nemec, James Nemec, Ray Nemec Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Saturday, August 18, 5:00 PM: Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Nathan Setser

Lector: Jennifer Klepac EMHC: Irene Cavanaugh, Janine Nemec, Jennifer Klepac Gift Bearers: Mark & Debbie Klaus Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

#### Sunday, August 19, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Carter Marquis, Lucas Beyer, Shelby Hutchinson Lector: Cynthia Edgar EMHC: John Edgar, Pete & Nancy Zenner Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

Sunday, August 19, 10:30 AM: Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, William Fonville, Jarrod Hodgson Lector: Monica Sherek EMHC: Monica Sherek, Keith Youngpeter Gift Bearers: Susan Schoenbaechler Head Usher: Bill Sherek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, August 19: Ray Nemec



**The summer break is coming to an end and CCE Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 5!** Preparations are being made for grades Kindergarten through High School, including classes for those students who have not yet had the opportunity for catechesis and are in need of sacraments. Our program needs to be ready to go on the first day of class, so please take a moment and register your child(ren) NOW. Registration forms can be placed in the collection basket, or returned to the CCE Office. However, if you are registering your child(ren) for the first time, you must do so in person at the CCE office. For questions or further information please contact our Director of Faith Formation, Lucille D'Elia, at 737-215-1042, or via email at htcdre@yahoo.com.

A **CEF** '**Back-to-School**' **enrollment drive will be held** after Masses this weekend (August 11/12) for anyone wishing to enroll their children, grand/god-children, teachers, etc, as they begin another school year. Enrollments for other occasions can also be made at this time. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card, and benefit the education of our diocesan seminarians.

## The Parish Offices will be closed this Wednesday, August 15, to observe the Holy Day of Obligation.

\*\*Please note the time change for this week's Pro-Life Adoration on Thursday, August 16. It will begin at 3:00 p.m. in the church, but end earlier than usual (with Benediction at 5:45 p.m.) due to the 'Farewell' Mass that will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m.

Join us this Thursday, August 16, at 6:30 p.m., for a 'Farewell' Mass, celebrated in honor of our visiting Czech Deacons, with the Readings in the Czech language. A reception will follow in the PAC Bldg for those in attendance.

RCIA Classes to Begin on September 11, 2018 - RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -- a process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. It is a community journey that leads to a transformation of mind and spirit. The RCIA is mainly for non-Catholics who want to become Catholic, but adult Catholics who have not received all of the Sacraments (Communion, Confession, Confirmation) may also come into full communion with the Church through the RCIA process. Also, anyone who is already Catholic and would like to learn more about their faith, is welcome to attend the classes, which will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. in the RE building, beginning on Tuesday, September 11. If you would like to become Catholic, or are an adult Catholic and need to receive First Communion, Confession, and/or Confirmation, or have any questions, please contact Lucille D'Elia in the Faith Formation Office at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com.

# 🕈 PARISH BAZAAR 🕈

Stop by the 'Raffle Table' after Mass to pick up more raffle tickets or to turn in your ticket stubs and money! We very much appreciate your efforts in selling tickets to your family members, coworkers, friends and neighbors!

If you would like to donate for the groceries and other expenses of the Bazaar...envelopes can be found on the bulletin tables and can be put in the collection plate, mailed/brought to the parish office, or turned in at the Raffle table at the weekend Masses.

Donations for the Bazaar games, silent and live auctions, etc, are now being accepted and are very much appreciated! Please see the list below of suggested items, and all donations can be brought to the PAC Bldg (which will be open every weekend after Mass) or to the parish office during business hours.

--Live Auction – NEW & Unused items – valued at \$25 or more – please contact Jacqueline Danek (512-423-2598) for suggestions / questions.

- --Silent Auction NEW & Unused items religious articles, homemade goods, crafts, candles, small tool & garden sets, kitchen items, lotion/bath sets. --Bingo Prizes – NEW & Unused items - valued at \$5 or more – coffee, sugar, snacks, candy, laundry and/or dish detergents, etc.
- --Toy Walk Prizes NEW & Unused items valued at \$5 or more stuffed animals, Barbies/dolls, tractors, trucks, crafts, Legos, board games, etc.
- --Ring Toss Game 2 liter sodas (any brand / any flavor)

--Cake Walk - <u>cakes ONLY</u> (bring to PAC the morning of the Bazaar)

K.J.Z.T. St. Agnes Society #15 will again sponsor the Bazaar Kolache Booth. If you would like to bake and donate kolaches, or have any questions, call Dorothy Klepac (512-746-2902) or Barbara Danek (512-746-2015). Containers are available at the church entrance.

Volunteers are needed for all areas of the Bazaar – and we need as many helpers as possible to make the day enjoyable for everyone! A list of Function Leaders is in your Bazaar Packet, as well as posted on the church bulletin board, so please call the Leader in the area(s) you would like to work in. New parishioners are always welcome!

St. Monica Parish in Cameron will host its **Annual Homecoming Festival** next Sunday, August 19, on their parish grounds. Beef and sausage plates will be sold beginning at 10:30 a.m. for \$10 per plate. Other activities include live entertainment, a live auction at 3:30 p.m. and a horseshoe tournament at 1 p.m.

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Granger invites you to their **Annual Parish Bazaar** on Sunday, September 2, in their parish hall. Barbecue plates (\$10 each) will be served beginning at 11:00 a.m., with drive-thru available until 12:30 p.m. or until sold out. Live auction will start at 1:30 p.m. and games for all ages will go on throughout the afternoon. A dance will then be held from 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. (\$8 per person).

## Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord be with all of you. This Wednesday, August 15, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. This is a Holy Day of Obligation and all Catholics should attend Mass. We will have Mass on Wednesday at 7:00 am, 12:00 noon, and 6:30 pm. So, all of you should be able to make it to one of these and give honor to Mary, the Mother of Jesus. In honoring her, we are also honoring her Son.

Deacon Jiří, Deacon Lukáš and Josef will be returning to the Czech Republic on August 17. Please pray for them as they return home and begin their ministry in the parish in which they have been assigned.

The majority of the people in the world, even if they claim to be Christian or some other religion, tend to put other things in place of God and base their self-image on these things, such as political power and wealth, much like the people of Israel did in the Old Testament. This eventually led to Israel's destruction, only after God had attempted to call His people back to their faith in Him.

In today's readings, we hear how the leaders of Israel had begun to turn to the god of the Canaanites, Baal. By doing this, they thought that they would be at peace. Because they turned away from the true God, God called Elijah to be His prophet to bring the people back to their true God, Yahweh. Elijah predicted that there would be a drought as God's response to the transgressions of Israel's leaders. In the third year of that drought, Elijah challenged King Ahab and his wife Jezebel by proposing a contest. An altar would be built on which would be placed the sacrifice. The court prophets, some 450 of them, would call on their God, Baal, to send fire to light the offering. But Baal never responded. Elijah, in his turn, called on Yahweh and flames engulfed the sacrifice. Elijah had won and all the prophets of Baal were put to death. The queen became furious and ordered Elijah to be killed. So Elijah goes into the desert, hiding, without food and water. He was in despair, even after this great miracle which had happened in his life.

God responded to Elijah's cry, and provided him with food and water. Elijah had been faithful, he had done exactly what God had asked him to do, and for this he suffered. But God does not abandon him. Elijah ate what God had to offer, and it was enough. He regained his strength.

In John's Gospel, we hear a continuation from Jesus' call to eat the "Bread of Life". The Gospel is trying to tell us what Elijah learned. If we place our trust in God to take care of us, we will find strength for our journey through life, just as Elijah found strength to continue his journey through the desert.

Like Israel, we often put our survival in the wrong hands. We seek wealth. We pursue power. We develop unhealthy and unholy relationships with other people. For peace and comfort, we turn to alcohol or drugs or sex or other distractions. And still we remain fundamentally unhappy, and we die.

Sometimes we just get too comfortable and say: "Why should I work harder on the practice of my faith when I have all that I need?" St. Paul suggests that taking part in the Bread of Life, that taking part in the life of Christ, requires something of us. He calls us to be kind, compassionate and forgiving. Paul calls us to identify ourselves with Jesus Christ. In becoming man, Jesus identified Himself with us. Now, in John's Gospel, Jesus is asking us to identify ourselves with Him. We are asked to eat of the Bread of Life, to let Jesus become part of us and we, part of Him.

We, as Catholics, possess a most powerful way of finding our identity and, thus, our strength in God. We are offered the Body of Christ. It is in this Communion that we find our identity and feed our hunger. When we fall into despair, like Elijah, it is what is on our altar that gives us identity and strength. If we fall away, we, like the Kingdom of Israel, will suffer destruction.

We cannot afford to forget who we are. We cannot make accommodations. We cannot trust political power or earthly wealth to protect us or provide us happiness. The lesson from Elijah, the point made by Jesus and the instruction given by Paul, is that real life is dependent on us identifying ourselves with God. We are to be dependent upon Him and truly recognize Him for Who He truly is...the God of all creation, without Him we would not exist. Put your faith and trust in Him and allow Him to be the God of your life.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

# Holy Trinity Catholic Church CCE News August 2018



## **Back to School**

**Registration** is ongoing and our program is growing once again. We had our first catechist meeting of the year and introduced our brand new curriculum to the teachers. This year our program will be based on the Gospel readings for the following Sunday. The children will have a lesson on the Gospel readings during the week in class and then they will hear those readings again on Sunday at Mass. They will also leave each class with a bulletin containing information for the family and how they can learn more about their faith together. It promises to be an exciting new program.

In order for our program to have everything ready to go for the first day of class ... **September 5** ... please register your children at this time. Remember, if your child is in Kindergarten, it is a great time for them to come to classes. They will have fun learning about their faith and build a solid foundation so that when they enter first grade (which is the first year of Sacrament Preparation) they will be ready. Also, if your child is in high school, we have a program for them, too, which will encompass learning, service projects and lots of fun activities.





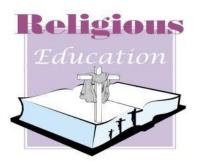


## YOUTH GROUP BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

Come join us for some Faith, Service and Fellowship! Start with Mass at 10:30 AM on Sunday, August 26, and then immediately following, the youth will meet in the RE building for a little bit of service, some fellowship and a lot of pizza and ice cream. We should be tired, full and ready to go home by 1:00 PM. Please let us know you're coming so we will have enough goodies on hand.

Please **RSVP by August 24** to **Kelly or Lucille** or email htcdre@vahoo

or call 737-215- 1042.



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

## Saturday, August 25:

RE Round Up Day for Catechists

## Sunday, August 26:

"Back to School Bash" for teens in grades 8 through 12

## Wednesday, September 5:

CCE Classes begin 6:30PM Mass, 7:00PM Class Children should arrive by 6:15PM

## Wednesday, September 12:

6:30PM Mass, 7:00PM Class 7:00PM Grades 1 & 2 Parent Meeting - RE Building

### Wednesday, September 19:

6:30PM Mass, 7:00PM Class Catechetical Celebration at Mass Confirmation I & II Parent Meeting-RE Building

### Wednesday, September 26:

6:30PM Mass, 7:00PM Class REGISTRATION CLOSES FOR SACRAMENT CLASSES



Don't forget our Holy Trinity "Go Catholic Book Cart"

which has bibles, coloring books, DVDs, crafts and other resources which can be purchased for children to use at home.

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