

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
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Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 2, A.D. 2018

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 1	5:00 PM	Lauren Buchhorn (for healing)
Sunday	Sept 2	8:30 AM	†Greg Maney
Sunday	Sept 2	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Sept 4	6:00 PM	†Ruby Caldwell Dorothy Schwertner Blackmore (for healing)
Wednesday	Sept 5	6:30 PM	†Edmond Keating †Msgr. Emilián Foltýn
Thursday	Sept 6	7:00 AM	†Virginia McMaster †Frances Nemeč
First Friday	Sept 7	6:00 PM	For Greater Respect of Life
Saturday	Sept 8	7:30 AM	†Paul Nemeč
Saturday	Sept 8	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 9	8:30 AM	†Albina Sladeček †Johnny and Albert Sladeček
Sunday	Sept 9	10:30 AM	†Victor Palousek, Jr. †Jerome Tobolka

### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the base of the Crucifix are placed in honor of **Bill & Monica Sherek, for their 34<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** and are donated by the Bill Sherek family.

### Last Week's Collection(s)

August 26: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$4,003.00  
Faith Formation Collection: \$1,368.00

### 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

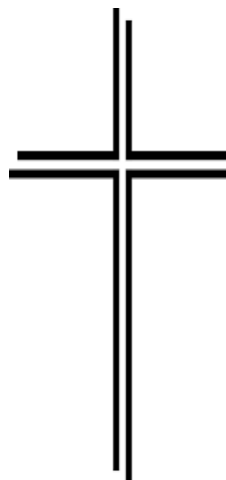
is open to all parishioners. To sign-up, call the parish office.

**September 2 – 8: Frank & Lucille D'Elia**

September 9 – 15: Andrew & Susan Klepac

### CEF 'Spiritual Bouquet' Enrollments

are good gifts for anyone, for any occasion, and can be made at any time by contacting Janine Nemeč (512-289-9242).



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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

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: (Position Vacant)

Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

Finance Council: Tommy Sladeček 512-746-5881

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Pro-Life Prayer Group: Chris Garlasco 860-689-3021

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Conf. of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemeč 254-527-3615

K.J.T. Society #55: John Danek 512-746-4168

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### Mass Ministry Reminders

#### Wednesday, September 5, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Carter Marquis, Jenna Danek, William Fonville

Lector: Lupe Bernal

EMHC: Brandi Bernal

Gift Bearers: Confirmation 2

#### Saturday, September 8, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Natalie Mason

Lector: Lupe Bernal

EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Brandi Bernal

Gift Bearers: Alex & Virginia Hernandez

Head Usher: Howard Mertink

#### Sunday, September 9, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: William, Joseph & Adelaide B, Caleb Stefek

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: James Nemeč, Monica Sherek, Ray Nemeč

Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemeč

Head Usher: Tommy Sladeček

#### Sunday, September 9, 10:30AM:

Altar Servers: Jakob Voigt, Samuel Williams, Heron Rodriguez

Lector: Kelly Godfrey

EMHC: Kelly Godfrey, Leslie & Linda Allen

Gift Bearers: Susan Schoenbaechler

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, September 9: Monica Sherek

### This Week at a Glance

Sunday, Sept 2: –Final Bazaar Planning Meeting

Monday, Sept 3: –Senior Citizens' Supper

Wednesday, Sept 5: –CCE Classes Begin

Thursday, Sept 6: –Pro-Life Adoration

–RCIA Team Meeting

Friday, Sept 7: –First Friday Mass

**The family of Frank Pospisil would like to offer their sincere thanks to all for their prayers, cards and sympathies during their time of loss. Thank you also to those who prepared the wonderful bereavement meal. God bless you.**

**We will have our FINAL Bazaar Planning meeting** today (Sunday, September 2) in the RE Bldg, immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All chairpersons and function leaders are encouraged to attend.

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Granger invites you to their **Annual Parish Bazaar** today (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 be held from 7 – 11:00 p.m. (\$8 per person).

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, September 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We appreciate the Moravian Club for preparing the meal.

**CCE: Classes begin this Wednesday, September 5!** Children should be in their classrooms at 6:15 p.m. Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m., which parents are encouraged to stay and attend, and then class will continue in the RE Bldg until 8:00 p.m. For all information, please contact our Director of Faith Formation, Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com)).

Join us for **Pro-Life Adoration** this Thursday, September 6, 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 are interested in being part of the 'RCIA Team', you are invited to attend an informational meeting this Thursday, September 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg.** For questions about RCIA Team duties, etc, please contact Lucille D'Elia.

**RCIA Classes begin next Tuesday, September 11 – so sign-up now – if you are interested in becoming Catholic, or are a Catholic adult in need of receiving the Sacraments of Initiation (baptism, communion and/or confirmation).** 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 classes **will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. in the RE building.** To register or ask questions, please contact Lucille D'Elia in the Faith Formation Office (737-215-1042 or [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com)).

**ATTN: ADULTS!** In conjunction with our CCE classes, we will now have an **Adult Faith Enrichment** program, each Wednesday evening, during the school year, in the PAC Bldg. Do you have children, or grandchildren, in our CCE program and wonder what they're learning? And is it anything different than what you learned as a child? Or maybe you'd like to 'enrich' your faith and knowledge in general. Parents of our CCE students are encouraged to attend while your child is in class – especially those with children in Sacrament preparation classes – but ALL adults are invited, whether you have children in our program or not, as we could all use a little refresher course now and again. The classes will begin on Wednesday, October 3, immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass, which you are encouraged to attend. For questions or more information, don't hesitate to contact Lucille D'Elia.

St. Mary's Church, in Taylor, invited everyone to their **84<sup>th</sup> annual Fall Festival & Parish Picnic** on Sunday, September 9, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Taylor. The KC Catholic Daughters will host a meal at 11:00 a.m. Cakewalk, toy booth, train ride, games, silent auction and country store will all begin at 11:00 a.m. and the live auction will start at 1:00 p.m. Fun for the family!

Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, in Marak, will host their **Annual Homecoming Picnic** on Sunday, September 9. Home Fried Chicken & Sausage with all the trimmings will be sold for \$10 a plate, beginning at 11:00 a.m. (dine-in or drive-thru). Enjoy entertainment throughout the afternoon for the whole family.

**Day of Spirituality at Eagle's Wings: Solace for the Soul Journey**, a day of spirituality, will be offered on Tuesday, September 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. Just as Mary pondered all the mercies of God in her life, this day of spirituality is an opportunity to reflect on the grace and actions of God in our own personal salvation story. The cost is \$35 per person and a light breakfast and lunch is included. To register, visit [www.ewrc.org](http://www.ewrc.org) (pre-registration is required).

**Welcome!** If you are new to the parish and would like to become a member, please complete and return a **Parish Registration Form** (yellow sheets located by the bulletins). For any questions or information, don't hesitate to contact the parish office.

## **Dear friends in Christ,**

May the peace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. This weekend is Labor Day weekend. Labor Day should be a day that we give thanks to God for the work He has given us to do. Are you doing the work that God has planned for you, or are you only doing your own work? We must remember that all the work we have been given to do is a gift from God and should be done in a way that gives Him greater glory and honor. We need to do it for God and not just for our own benefit and satisfaction. If we approach our work with this mindset, then it will have a whole new meaning and purpose in our life. Are you doing the work that God has for you? Always be open to how God is calling you to do His work in the world. This may lead to a change of employment for you and be a test of faith, calling you to depend upon God to lead you into a new adventure in life. May your faith sustain you to do the work that God has for you.

There is a phase in life that parents prefer to know little about. Children grow up and many of them move off to college or too soon move out of the house. Parents may not be too sure they want to know what their child is doing at this time in life. Some parents remember their own college days, which may have been one which was wild, possibly drunken and maybe even hedonistic. "Surely our kids are not doing what we did!" they may say to one another. Usually, when children move off, they start casting off the rules and regulations which they had to live under at home. They are going to experiment with life. While they are testing life and its limits, we pray hard that our children remember something of what we tried to teach them while they were still at home. Also, when children move off to college, they are exposed to ideas and insights never before encountered. Often this leads to the "cynical years," ones in which we pray we do not kill the kids on their visits home from school. What really disturbs parents is not that they question, but that they reject. They challenge our lifelong beliefs and value systems. They test us, but not as immature teenagers. They test us with minds that are growing in knowledge. They reach a point at which it is very difficult to argue with them and they can even shake our own beliefs. What gets questioned most is our faith, our religious beliefs and values born from them. This can really hurt and scare any parent. The typical college student begins to talk of religion and the rules of the Church as being only man-made and oppressive.

From one point of view, religion and the teachings of the Church are oppressive. But the letter of James wants us to see our religious law not as something that merely prevents us from doing bad things, but as something that compels us to do good. He tells us that if all we do is listen to the Word of God and the beliefs that come from it, then we are deceiving ourselves. James says we must also act on the Word of God and on our beliefs. What our college students often see in religion is what Jesus saw in the Pharisees. We must remember that, despite the constant bashing, the Pharisees were good people. Jesus never questioned this. They were believers in God who wanted society molded in God's law. In their efforts, however, they succeeded only in creating burdens that were too hard for men to carry. They stepped away from teaching the law of God to trying to enforce rituals made by man.

Jesus tried to emphasize the freeing aspect of living the Law. In the book of Tobit (4:15), we read, "Never do to anyone else anything that you would not want someone to do to you." Jesus says, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12). The Pharisees were imposing human ritual, human burdens, on the people. Jesus was trying to free them. We do have the Word of God, and our Church has many teachings derived from the Word. Our college students see human-made law all too well, and they challenge us on this. So we should ask: Are moral teachings of the Church human-made or God-made?

When we say no to abortion, for example, are we creating a burden for women, or is God giving us a sense of freedom by valuing life? Though, from one point of view, an anti-abortion stance seems to be burdensome, from another it frees us to value life and to find joy within it. Are the teachings of the Church on human sexuality infringements on doing our own thing, or do they create a freedom to live in a world of care and respect? Is the command "Love your enemies" a burden, or is it freedom from hate and anger?

Our rules and rituals are gifts to us. As was the intention of Moses, they are there to help us remember who we are in a world sometimes unfriendly to faith. They are there as a guide in a world with far too many options. They are there to help us remember who we are in a world in which it is easy to get lost. Just as God gave Moses the Ten Commandments to help the people live a better life, in the same way God has given us the Church and its teachings to help us live better lives, lives free from the slavery of sin and its temptations. Let us be thankful for a God who cares enough about us to give us guidance through the rules and ritual which we have in the Church. He has truly given us a special gift. Let us show our appreciation by living them in our lives.

Our Bazaar is only two weeks away. Please volunteer to help out so that the work load will be much easier for everyone. Also, pick up extra raffle tickets and sell as many as possible. As you saw in our financial report, the Bazaar has to make up where our weekly collection is lacking. Thank you for your hard work and dedication to your parish.

Saturday, September 8, is the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I encourage all of you to pray the rosary together as a family and to celebrate Mary's birthday. Make a special birthday cake in honor of Mary and give thanks to God that, through her, He gave us our Savior and the opportunity to share in eternal life with Him.

Please pray for rain. May God's blessings be upon you all.

**In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář**

# ✠ PARISH BAZAAR ✠

On Sunday, September 16, we will host a BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg (adult plate drive-thru from 11 am – 12:30 pm). Adults \$10 / Children \$5. We will have a full day of eats, treats and family fun, including homemade kolaches for sale, live polka music during the meal, cake walk, children's games, bingo, silent & live auctions and a raffle drawing! BBQ by the Pound at the Pit from 8 am – noon. Hamburgers in the PAC at 2:30. Invite your friends!

★ Don't forget to stop by the 'Raffle Table' to pick up more tickets to buy or sell, 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! You can also get more tickets and turn in money/stubs at the office during the week.

★ **Workers are still needed in some areas (bingo, hamburgers, games, etc)!** Contact the office or sign-up at the Raffle table at the weekend Masses!

★ If you would like to donate for the groceries and other expenses of the Bazaar, 'Bazaar Donation' envelopes can be found on the bulletin tables. No donation is too small and all are very much appreciated!

★ **We are still in need of donated items for the Bazaar games, silent and live auctions, etc!** Please see suggested items below. Unless otherwise noted below, all donations can be brought to the PAC Bldg (which will be open every weekend after all Masses), to the parish office during the week, or to the PAC Bldg during set-up on Friday & Saturday, September 14 & 15.

- ❖ **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, etc
- ❖ **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
- ❖ **Ring Toss Game** – 2 liter sodas (any brand / any flavor) – **we need 200 sodas and currently only have 20!!!**
- ❖ **Cake Walk** – cakes ONLY please (bring to the PAC the morning of the Bazaar)
- ❖ **Sweets for the dinner Dessert Table** (all types and flavors!) (bring to the PAC the morning of the Bazaar)

★ **Mark your calendars for Set-Up!** Men, women and teens are encouraged to come help set-up, both inside and out (tables, chairs, games, tents, etc). On Friday, September 14, we will begin in the late afternoon and work 'til dark ... and ... what doesn't get finished on Friday, continues on Saturday morning 'til it's done! Refreshments will be provided both days. For specific information, contact Charles Marquis (512-818-6765) or the parish office.

***Thank you, in advance, for your participation in, and generous contributions for, our annual fundraiser.***

***Please don't hesitate to contact the parish office for general information or questions (512-863-3020).***

**ATTENTION BAZAAR WORKERS! IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR SUFFICIENT PARKING FOR OUR GUESTS AT THE BAZAAR ... IF YOU ARE WORKING ON THE DAY OF, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE PARK BETWEEN THE PAC BLDG AND THE CEMETERY! THANK YOU!**