

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, A.D. 2019

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 9	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Feb 10	8:30 AM	†Albina Sladeczek Tommy Sladeczek (for healing)
Sunday	Feb 10	10:30 AM	†Paul & Rosalie Nemecek †Emil Sherek
Czech Mass	Feb 10	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Benefactors of Czech Seminarian Fund
Monday	Feb 11	12 Noon	†Martha Tschoerner LeRoy & Mary Tschoerner (for healing)
Tuesday	Feb 12	6:00 PM	†Jerome Tobolka †Lorena Canik
Wednesday	Feb 13	6:30 PM	†Frances Nemecek †Earl Thomas Fonville
Thursday	Feb 14	7:00 AM	†Carol Maney †Ann Thompson
Friday	Feb 15	6:00 PM	†Paul Chevalier †Trudi Reid
Saturday	Feb 16	7:30 AM	†John & Betty Emge
Saturday	Feb 16	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Feb 17	8:30 AM	†Benny Kubacak Liv/Dec Members of Catholic Life Ins, Branch #50
Sunday	Feb 17	10:30 AM	†Angela Danek †Bill Klepac

Last Week's Collection(s)

February 3: Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$4,527.82

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

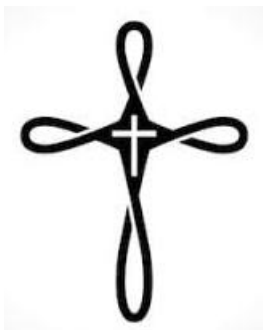
February 10 – 16: James & Renee Gragg
February 17 – 23: Chris & Sora Garlasco

Rosary for Life

February 10 – 16: Stephanie Fojtik
February 17 – 23: Chris & Judith Stefek family

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 10: --Czech Mass
Monday, February 11: --Anointing of the Sick
Tuesday, February 12: --RCIA Class
Wednesday, February 13: --CCE Classes
--Adult Faith Enrichment
Thursday, February 14: --Pro-Life Adoration



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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
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Marriage Preparation: Contact the priest before setting a wedding date and at least 9-12 months before the desired date.
Baptisms: Classes are scheduled based on need. Contact Lucille D'Elia for questions and requirements (737-215-1042)

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, February 13, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Maria B, Caleb Stefek, Martin Ortiz, Isabella Hodgson
Lector: Jennifer Marquis
EMHC: Heuertz
Gift Bearers: Grades 3/4

Saturday, February 16, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Natalie Mason
Lector: Jennifer Klepac
EMHC: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz, Keith Youngpeter
Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez
Head Usher: Howard Mertink

Sunday, February 17, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, Jenna Danek
Lector: Chris Stefek
EMHC: James Nemecek, Cynthia Edgar, Ray Nemecek
Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek
Head Usher: AJ Batla

Sunday, February 17, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Samuel Williams, Abby Hodgson
Lector: Kelly Godfrey
EMHC: Kelly Godfrey, Leslie & Linda Allen
Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, February 17: Ray Nemecek

*Share the love of God with others through
prayer, and in your words and deeds!*

We will have a **second collection** this weekend (February 9/10) for the **Catholic Higher Education** fund to support Campus Ministries within the Diocese of Austin, including communities at the University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Texas State University, Mary Hardin-Baylor, St. Edward's University and other smaller college campuses. The goals of Catholic campus ministry are to build a faith community, bring the message of Christ to the academic world and prepare future leaders of society and our Church.

K.J.T. Society #28, Granger, will have a **Fried Pork Steak Dinner** today (Sunday, February 10) at the SSCM recreation hall. Serving will begin at 11:00 a.m. (until they run out), and plates are \$10 each. To-go plates will be available inside (no drive-thru).

We will celebrate our annual **Czech Mass** today (Sunday, February 10) at 5:00 p.m., in honor of the patron saints of the Slavic peoples, Sts. Cyril & Methodius, and all readings and hymns will be in the Czech language. (This Mass does fulfill your Sunday obligation.) Help us to give tribute to the ancestors who started this community and this parish, by celebrating our Czech heritage. A meal will be held afterward in the PAC Bldg for those at the Mass.

This Monday, February 11, we celebrate the *World Day of the Sick*. We will have a Mass at 12:00 Noon and will offer the **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** for those who wish to receive it.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, February 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: life as a single person / the consecrated life.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, February 13, at 6:15 p.m. Parents are encouraged to stay and attend Mass for their own benefit as well as an example for their children.

Adult Faith Enrichment: Class this Wednesday, February 13, in the PAC Bldg after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. All adults of our parish are invited to attend this program and we sincerely encourage the parents of our CCE students (especially those with kids in their sacrament years) to enrich your faith education so that you are able to appropriately guide your child(ren) in their faith journey!

*****We will begin, this Wednesday, our classes regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation. All adults are welcome, but we especially encourage the parents and sponsors of the teens in our CCE Confirmation Class to attend.** This will be a three-week session (February 13, 20 & 27) that will explain this Sacrament and what it means for our teens. So mark your calendars – set all other activities aside for a few Wednesday nights – and attend for both you and your child(ren)'s benefit.

SSCM Church in Granger will host the world-famous **International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima** this Wednesday, February 13, from 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the church, where you will have an opportunity to hear the story of Our Lady of Fatima and venerate her in this form. The presence of this special statue, sculpted from Sr. Lucia's description of her encounters with Our Lady, is a great gift to our community. Visit www.fatimatourforpeace.com for more info.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, February 14, from 3 – 9 p.m. in the church. Come spend time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Catholic Life Insurance Branch #50 will have its annual branch social next Sunday, February 17, in our PAC Bldg. The Social will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a noon meal and a short meeting following. Members, please RSVP by Monday, February 11, to Tommy Sladeczek (512-635-3496) or Sharon Lloyd (512-746-2458).

K.J.Z.T St. Agnes Society #15 will meet next Wednesday, February 20, at 6:00 p.m. in the home of Barbara Danek. Members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

The **Georgetown/Round Rock Deanery Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will meet** next Thursday, February 21, in our PAC Bldg. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. prior to the 10:00 a.m. business meeting, which will include the election of officers, voting on the amendments to bylaws and election of delegate(s) to attend the DCCW Convention, and will wrap up with a silent auction of special handmade items by one of our members. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend as we share in the mission of the National Council of Catholic Women. Please call Linda Montreuil (512-864-2451) for any questions or information.

Moravian Hall Social – Celebrating Czech Heritage: Sunday, February 24. Meal of homemade sausage and trimmings from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Adults \$10 / Children \$5 / Dinner/Dance Combo \$15. To-go plates will be available (no drive-thru). Dance from 2 – 6 p.m. to music by the Praha Brothers (\$10). Fun for the family!

Banns of Marriage are announced, for the first time, for **Amy Janecka & Matthew Mertink**, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony here on Saturday, March 2. Congratulations to them and please offer your prayers for a lifetime filled with God's blessings of love and happiness, and the virtues of patience and kindness.

Dear friends in Christ,

May God's love and mercy be with each of you. This Monday, February 11, we celebrate the World Day of the Sick. Mass will be at 12:00 noon and during Mass we will offer the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to those who wish to receive it.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches the people on the shores of the Lake of Gennesaret. Then He gets into the boat with a local fisherman, Simon, and continues to teach from the boat. Simon was already tired from fishing all night long without catching anything. But, he does what Jesus asks of him. He lets Jesus preach from his boat and then, at Jesus' command, rows out a little farther and lowers his nets. To his surprise, he has a great catch of fish. Jesus then asks Simon, whom Jesus will name Peter, to be His follower. Simon undergoes a tremendous change in his life, which is signified by the changing of his name. Simon Peter responds in great humility as he says, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." He admits his weaknesses and his sinfulness. Because he is able to do this, he is transformed and cleansed.

Jesus wants the same change, or transformation, to happen in our lives. Every time we come to Mass, Jesus wants it to be a transforming experience for us...and it can be. However, most of the time our pride gets in the way and keeps it from being a transforming experience. Every time we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion, Jesus wants to change us, to transform us, into His image and likeness. Every time we go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and confess our sins, Jesus wants it to be a transforming experience for us. Do we let go and allow that transformation to happen within us? What is keeping us from leaving things behind in order to follow Jesus? Ask yourself, what are the things, or who are the people, that stand between God and me? Can I trust Jesus enough to let go and follow him? What keeps me from practicing my faith as I should? What is holding me back? Let go of it, be not afraid.

Here is an interesting reflection in Czech: Čtení z Izaiáše zdůrazňuje v první části velikost, vznešenost, svatost Boží. Bůh - nepopsatelný - je třikrát svatý, tedy v plné míře svatý, to znamená - je zcela jiný než člověk a stvoření, je bez nedokonalosti, bez omezení, nad pomyslení velký. A člověk, který zažije zkušenost Boží velikosti, je ohromen a zděšen. Cítí svou malost, nedostatečnost, hříšnost, své sepětí s hříšnými lidmi. Domnívá se proto, že je ztracen. Ale čtení ukazuje něco jiného: tento hříšný člověk je Bohem očištěn a vyzván ke spolupráci, je mu nabídnuto (nikoli určeno či nadiktováno) Boží poslání. A on, očištěn, přijímá. Ještě plastičtěji to ukazuje evangelium: Petr je nejdříve Ježíšem obdarován báječným a nečekaným úlovkem ryb, a potom teprve ve světle tohoto daru poznává svou hříšnost. Pán ale od něj neodstoupí, naopak, světuje mu poslání a zve jej k následování, přesněji - ke společenství, které znamená pro Petra schopnost hlásat účinně víru.

Pokud máme živou zkušenost víry, můžeme odhalit ve svém životě něco podobného. Naše setkání s Bohem, náš růst nezačal zpravidla pokáním, ale naopak: když nás Bůh obdaroval svou přízní, svým jasmem, dostali jsme chuť k obrácení. Teprve tehdy jsme poznali, jak na tom opravdu jsme, co je vlastně hřích - a začali jsme Boha hledat. A v tu chvíli nás mohl použít on sám, svěřit nám poslání, které ovšem zpravidla přesahuje kvality nositele poslání.

Z toho si můžeme udělat tři závěry:

Je třeba si trpělivě uvědomovat, že Bůh je někdo zcela jiný, než je či byl náš otec, než jsou druzí lidé. On, Bůh, má vždy hlavní iniciativu lásky, jeho láska je především darem, ne odměnou.

Těžko čekat, že se obrátí člověk, kterému Boží láska nezazářila. Nemá tedy cenu nutit třeba ke smíření s Bohem někoho, kdo má zcela temný či nezřetelný obraz Boha. Takový člověk potřebuje nejdříve získat zkušenost víry, a potom odpouštějícího Boha sám vyhledá.

Nepatrnost a bída člověka, která při pomyslení na svatost Boží dostává až děsivé rozměry, není na překážku, chce-li Bůh svěřit člověku své poslání. Vadí spíš slepota, nechota, "zakuklení se" do sebe. (From Pastorage.cz)

May the blessings of our Lord be with you all.

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

Upcoming at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton (www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake or call 254-780-2436)

--A Healing Pilgrimage Retreat, held on February 11 - the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes - from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., will have talks on the great love of Mary, the message of Lourdes and it will include praying the rosary and Mass with the sacrament of anointing. Father Albert Haase, Beverly Collin and Brian Egan will facilitate the day. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

--The Practical Holiness – Pope Francis as Spiritual Companion Retreat will be held on February 20 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Franciscan Father Albert Haase, chaplain of Cedarbrake, will present this day based on the "five great expressions of love of God and neighbor" that Pope Francis believes are essential for any Christian. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

--The Ash Wednesday Retreat will be held on March 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Lent is a time to follow Christ even more interiorly as he shows us the way to live his Father's will. The retreat will include Mass and the distribution of ashes. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

--A Silent Lenten Retreat will be held March 8-10. Mass will be celebrated Saturday and Sunday. Spiritual direction will also be available. A time of quiet as we enter into the Lenten season of preparation. Cost is \$210. All rooms are private.

If you are – or are considering being – involved in any ministry here (or in any other Diocese of Austin parish or parish school), you must be certified in our diocesan Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Program.

Sooo.....

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND PREPARE FOR OUR UPCOMING EIM WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY, MARCH 9.

Several of our parishioners/ministers/catechists are in need of a refresher course in 2019 – so please check your renewal date. Even if you are not due for a refresher by March, but are this year, consider taking this opportunity to go ahead and get it done. If you don't remember your renewal date, you can find it on the diocesan website ... and if help is needed, please contact the parish office. If you're not able to attend this one, there are always workshops being held in many locations in the diocese each month. All workshop dates/locations can be found on the diocesan website at www.austindiocese.org. **This workshop is now posted on the diocesan website, so please follow the information below to go ahead and sign-up.**

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THIS – OR ANY OTHER WORKSHOP – YOU NEED TO DO SOME THINGS PRIOR TO THE CLASS! You will register for the workshop on the diocesan website. If you don't have access to the internet, you may contact the parish office and we will help you out. But, for those of you who do, please go online (www.austindiocese.org) and follow all of the directions on the Ethics & Integrity in Ministry page. If you have already taken an EIM course, then you will just have to sign up for a workshop. If you have NEVER taken an EIM course, then you will have to complete the online application and sign up for the workshop at the same time.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU DO ALL OF THIS BEFORE ATTENDING THE WORKSHOP!

Also, as new diocesan policy, workshop registration must be done within 24 hours of the class and walk-ins will NOT be admitted on the day of the workshop!! And, again, questions or problems? Please don't hesitate to call us!

EIM Q&A:

Q: I don't work directly with children or vulnerable adults, so why do I need to be certified? I'm just handing out Holy Communion – right next to the Pastor – during Mass ... or I'm just a lector at Mass ... or I'm just an usher at Mass ... or I'm just a function coordinator for our fundraiser ... or I'm just a member of the Cemetery / Pastoral / Finance Council ... etc.

A: Even if you are not directly involved with minors (anyone below age 18) or vulnerable adults (typically over age 65 or incapacitated in some form in which they would not be able to protect themselves), if these individuals are present at any event or program that you are involved in, then you must be EIM certified. This is not because you are believed to be a perpetrator, but so that you can have the skills and knowledge of what to look and/or listen for in the case of abuse or neglect by another person.

It also gives perpetrators the forewarning that there are eyes all around, who are watching out for the vulnerable. That knowledge will hopefully make them more apt to *not* do harm to others for fear of being seen or getting caught.

Q: Why do I need to take the course more than once?

A: New research and statistic data are composed annually and, in our roles as EIM certified individuals, we should all be informed and made aware of such information. Also, no one remembers everything – especially after three years – so it is good practice to have a 'refresher' course. We do understand that this topic is not one that is easily discussed or that we like to even think of in general, but it is all too real in today's society and it is, therefore, our duty as Christians to be vigilant and do what we can to help control and hopefully end this tragic behavior.

We ask that you do not let this program steer you away from being a part of any function/program in our parish! It is a very small sacrifice (just 2 hours every three years!) that could make a big difference in the life of another!