# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 24, A.D. 2019

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 23	5:00 PM	†Calvin Blackman, Jr.
Sunday	Feb 24	8:30 AM	†Frank Simek, Sr.
Sunday	Feb 24	10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Feb 26	6:00 PM	†Martha Tschoerner †Bea Baron
Wednesday	Feb 27	6:30 PM	†Hubert Klepac Jennifer Klepac & family
Thursday	Feb 28	7:00 AM	†Merlene Turman †Mary Ann Braden
Friday	Mar 1	<u>7:00 AM</u>	†Johnnie Simek †Jo Gray
Saturday	Mar 2	7:30 AM	†Jeanette Pokluda Marty Emge
Saturday	Mar 2	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of KJZT #15, St Agnes of Bohemia
Sunday	Mar 3	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 3	10:30 AM	†Edward & Margie Havelka †Ruth Ann Ryan

## **Altar Flowers**

The flowers at St. Joseph's Altar are placed in honor of Frank & Lucille D'Elia's 45th Wedding Anniversary.

The flowers at the Tabernacle are placed in honor of Joe and JoAnn Fojtik's 53rd Wedding Anniversary (and are donated by Gene and Deanna Fojtik and granddaughters, Stephanie, Christina and Katriana Fojtik).

### Last Week's Collection(s)

February 17: Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time: \$3,715.25

## Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

February 24 - March 2: Keith Youngpeter March 3 - 9: Kathy Windhauser

### Rosary for Life

February 24 - March 2: Susan Schoenbaechler March 3 – 9: Bill & Sharon Parma

## This Week at a Glance

Tuesday, February 26: Wednesday, February 27: --RCIA Class -- CCE Classes

--Adult Faith Enrichment -- Pro-Life Adoration

Thursday, February 28:

-- Pastoral Council Meeting



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Saturday @ 5:00 pm Weekend Masses: 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

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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 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 27, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Jarrod H, William B, Amy Stefek, Heather Snook

Lector: Zenner EMHC: Zenner

Gift Bearers: High School

Saturday, March 2, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Preston Snook

Lector: Janine Nemec

EMHC: Patsy Hightower, Irene Cavanaugh, Keith Youngpeter

Gift Bearers: Snook family Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

#### Sunday, March 3, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: John Danek, Joseph & Adelaide Brousseau

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: Cynthia Edgar, Ray Nemec, James Nemec

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

Head Usher: A.J. Batla

### Sunday, March 3, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Samuel W, Jarrod & Isabella H

Lector: Monica Sherek

EMHC: Monica Sherek, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Gift Bearers: Family of Edward & Margie Havelka

Head Usher: Bill Sherek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, March 3: James Nemec

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

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Program collection** this weekend (February 23/24) which allows us to provide necessary resources for the education of children in our CCE program, participants in the RCIA program, the continued education of adults, etc.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet today (Sunday, February 24) in the RE Bldg following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will sit in the front pews to lead the Rosary prayed before Mass. **Reminder:** Annual dues (\$5) for 2019 are now due and can be given or mailed to the treasurer, Louise Straka. (212 W. Avenue I, Jarrell, TX 76537)

Good food, music and dancing at the **Moravian Hall Social – Celebrating Czech Heritage** today (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!

**RCIA:** Class this Tuesday, February 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Eschatology–the End Times; Heaven, Hell & Purgatory.

**CCE:** Classes this Wednesday, February 27, at 6:15 p.m. Parents are always encouraged to stay and attend Mass at 6:30 p.m.

**Adult Faith Enrichment:** Class this Wednesday, February 27, in the PAC Bldg after the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

**Pro-Life Adoration** this Thursday, February 28, from 3 – 9 p.m. in the church. Spend time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** this Thursday, February 28, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited to attend.

First Friday & Saturday of the month – March 1 & 2: Friday's Mass is at 7:00 a.m. ending with the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Benediction. Saturday's Mass is at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude with our devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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

Don't forget! Mark your calendars and prepare for our upcoming Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Workshop on Saturday, March 9, from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. Several of our parishioners/ministers/catechists are in need of a refresher course. 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. All workshop dates/locations can be found on the diocesan website at www.austindiocese.org. 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 the above before attending the workshop! It is now posted on the diocesan website, so please sign-up as soon as possible. As new diocesan policy, workshop registration must be done within 24 hours of the class and walk-ins CANNOT be admitted on the day of the workshop!! And, again, questions or problems? Please don't hesitate to call.

Enhance your time of preparation during the Season of Lent by attending our upcoming **Bible Study** entitled **No Greater Love: a Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion**. Learn, more fully, the mystery of Christ's suffering and death and come to a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love - drawing closer to Jesus than you ever have before. The Study will be held each Monday evening, from March 11 – April 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. A sign-up sheet is available in the foyer of the church and questions can be directed to Pete Zenner (512-863-4038).

PRO-LIFE CORNER This February the various disguises worn by the pro-abortion groups have finally come off. Softening words and phrases like, "choice," "safe, legal and rare," or "reproductive health" have been exchanged for the "Shout Your Abortion" movement where women gather together to celebrate the positive impact that their own abortion had in their lives. Radical feminists, including Hollywood celebrities like Oprah Winfrey, are publicly promoting the "Shout Your

Abortion" movement. New York's new abortion law that now allows for abortion up *until the day of birth* was celebrated with cheers and the lighting of the Freedom Tower in pink ... the very place where more than 2,000 Americans were murdered on 9/11. We also witnessed the governor of Virginia ghoulishly explain how a baby that survived abortion would be "kept comfortable" while the mother and doctor decided whether or not the baby should live or be killed. Democrats in Congress have blocked a vote on three pieces of legislation that would protect a child that survives a botched abortion. Closer to home...Beto O'Rourke, reliably pro-abortion, narrowly lost to Ted Cruz, taking the five largest counties in Texas, including Williamson County. Yes, the gloves are off and the battle for life has intensified. There is little doubt that the pro-death movement has a supernatural component that will not stop at abortion. Will we, The Body of Christ, engage in this battle, or be resigned to defeat?

**Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Update for our parish:** We had a CSA pledge goal this year of \$23,500. To date, we have reached 66% of that goal, with 55 pledges totaling \$15,450. We appreciate all who have given and ask that, if you have not, please prayerfully consider doing so. Pledge cards/envelopes are located by the bulletins if needed. Thank you.

### Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you! This past week, several of you received a text message from someone who claimed to be me asking you to purchase a gift card for \$500 and to give them the information so they could get the money. **This was a scam.** Several other priests have had the same thing happen to them. For your information, I will never call, text or email any of you asking you to send me money. So, if you ever receive any messages or calls asking for money or gift cards, know that it is not from me. Delete it immediately and do not respond to it.

This past week, we decided to change the company who provides us with propane. We had been using Suburban Propane for many years. This past year they began charging us \$3.69 per gallon. After checking with other propane companies, it was decided to use Trico Propane from Granger. Their price per gallon is \$1.97. Making this change will save our parish about \$6,000.00 a year. If you use propane at your home, you may want to check the price. This is quite a big difference.

Today's readings are about mercy. Even the Responsorial Psalm speaks about the mercy of God, "The Lord is kind and merciful." In the first reading, we hear about King Saul chasing down David. David was always kind to Saul, but David was hailed as a great warrior as he defeated Goliath and other armies. Saul became jealous of David and thought the people would like David better and would make him king. Several times Saul and his men go out to find David in order to kill him. As we read today, David and his men walk into Saul's camp at night undetected. They have an opportunity to kill Saul and his inner circle. But David says, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the Lord's anointed and remain unpunished?" David takes the spear and water jug that was beside Saul's head and they leave. When they get a good distance away, David yells at Saul and his men to let them know that he was there and that he took Saul's spear and water jug. He tells Saul that even though he could have killed him, he did not. Saul will, once again, pledge not to do harm to David but that is short lived. Saul will once again try to go after David a little while later. David was merciful to Saul even though he was out to kill him. Are you merciful to those who are out to get you?

In the Gospel, Jesus tells us to love our enemies. He also gives us the golden rule: "Do to others as you would have them do to you." We all know this is easier said than done. When we get jealous and envious of others, we act more like King Saul than like Jesus or David. We seem to always seek revenge and we tend to hold grudges for years. Jesus tells us in today's Gospel, as well as throughout all the Gospels, to "Forgive and you will be forgiven." How good are you at forgiving others?

Remember in the Lord's Prayer, the "Our Father", we always pray, "...Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Do you really mean what you are saying when you pray this? If so, then be sure you do forgive everyone who has offended or hurt you. For if you do not forgive, then you, also, will not be forgiven by God. It is time that all people take very seriously what Jesus says in the Gospels. He was not joking when He says what He says.

May we always be merciful to others as God is merciful to us. He always gives us a chance to go to confession and be forgiven of our sins. May we do the same to those who have offended us and offer them the love of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Something for your reflection: Jisté je, že s nepravdou, nepřátelstvím, nepoctivostí se člověk setkával, setkává a vždy nějak setkávat bude. Jak rád by (každý, i křesťan) nastolil pořádek! A přece: Ježíš nemluví o nastolení univerzálního dokonalého pořádku pro všechny. To dělali a dělají jen diktátoři a totalitní ideologie a výsledky známe. Ježíš mluví o postoji toho, kdo přijal za své Boží království, kdo je ho už tady na zemi účasten. A říká tedy: milovat nepřátele, nastavit druhou tvář, odpouštět, dávat ... Uvědomme si: Ježíš nemluví o tom, co by měli dělat "ti druzí", ti nepoctiví - to je ostatně dobře známo a většinou je to obsaženo i v zákonech, alespoň v demokratických zemích. Ježíš mluví o tom, jak si má počínat ten, kdo patří do jeho království. Ten, kdo má být světlem světa a solí země, nikoliv soudcem světa a diktátorem, byť s nejlepšími úmysly. Ten, kdo je ochoten dopadat v životě jako jeho mistr a Pán. Je to tvrdé. Ale uvažme ještě jedno slovo Písma: "zkazí-li se sůl, čím se osolí?" Bůh si najde všude své věrné. Ale sami nemáme koho za sebe nastrčit. A také nemůžeme čekat s citovaným spisovatelem, až začne být otrávená většina a najde si cestu, jak si poradit. Bude dobře, když se to stane, pokud si poradí dobře, lidsky a demokraticky. Ale ani plnění Ježíšových slov, ani naplnění jeho zaslíbení není na toto vázáno. Naštěstí. A tak nezbývá, než krok za krokem se pokoušet žít to, co Ježíš říká. Nezlepšíme tím celý svět. Ale jistě tím zlepšíme sebe. A tím i svět, byť jen v malém kousíčku. Vždy to ale znamená mnohem víc, než jen nadávat a nekonečně víc, než se přidat ke zlu. (From Pastorace.cz)

In the last couple of months, you have heard and read much on the news and internet about the abuse of minors in the Church. It is sad. If you google Southern Baptist Convention Sex Abuse, you will find that this is not just within the Catholic Church. Last week, there was an article where over 220 Baptists pastors and other church leaders abused over 700 minors in the last 20 years. Most of those who did these things were married. How much was this publicized by the news media? Very little in comparison to what they have publicized about the Catholic Church. This is not just a Catholic problem! It is a problem within all of society. Let us pray and do what we can to stop this abuse.

May all of you have a wonderful and forgiving week, filled with the mercy and love of God.

# Pray the Scriptures with us during the month of

# **March 2019**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Every Sunday is a Solemnity. Weekdays with <b>bold</b> print are either a Solemnity or a Feast Day.	All other weekdays are either Memorials or Optional Memorials or without a specific memorial.  Optional Memorials are in italics.	Note: March 6 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence, no meat is to be eaten and meals should be small. A strict Fast would be bread and water only.	Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence. No meat is to be eaten unless it is necessary due to medical reasons.	Most parishes have the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Make time to attend this special devotion with your family every week during the Season of Lent.	1	2 First Saturday Sir 17:1-15 Ps 103:13-18 Mk 10:13-16 Immaculate Heart of Mary Devotion
3 Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92:2-3,13-16 1 Cor 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	4 Sir 17:20-24 Ps 32:1-2,5-7 Mk 10:17-27 St. Casimir	5 Sir 35:1-12 Ps 50:5-8,14,23 Mk 10:28-31	6 Fast & Abstinence Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6a,12-14,17 2 cor 5:20 - 6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18 ASH WEDNESDAY Beginning of Lent	7 Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 9:22-25 Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs	8 † Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6b,18-19 Mt 9:14-15  St. John of God, religious Abstinence – No Meat	9 Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32 St. Frances of Rome, religious
10 Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91:1-2,10-15 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13 First Sunday of Lent	11 Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Ps 19:8-10,15 Mt 25:31-46	12 Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7,16-19 Mt 6:7-15	13 Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19 Lk 11:29-32  Attend Stations of the Cross in the evening.	14 Est C:12,14-16,23-25 Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 Mt 7:7-12	15 † Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8 Mt 5:20-26  Abstinence – No Meat	16 Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8 Mt 5:43-48
17 Gn 15:5-12,17-18 Ps 27:1,7-9,13-14 Phil 3:17 - 4:1 Lk 9:28b-36 Second Sunday of Lent	18 Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8-9,11,13 Lk 6:36-38 St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, doctor of the Church	19 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16 Ps 89:2-5,27,29 Rom 4:13,16-18,22 Lk 2:41-51a or Mt 1:16,18-21,24a St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	20 Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6,14-16 Mt 20:17-28 Attend Stations of the Cross in the evening.	21 Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-4,6 Lk 16:19-31	22 † Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28 Ps 105:16-21 Mt 21:33-43,45-46 Abstinence – No Meat	23 Mi 7:14-15,18-20 Ps 103:1-4,9-12 Lk 15:1-3,11-32 St. Turibius of Mongrovejo, bishop
24 Ex 3:1-8a,13-15 Ps 103:1-4,6-8,11 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 Lk 13:1-9 Third Sunday of Lent	25 Is 7:10-14; & 8:10 Ps 40:7-11 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38 The Annunciation of the Lord	26 Dn 4:1,5-9 Ps 147:12-13,15-16,19-20 Mt 5:17-19	27 Dt 4:1,5-9 Ps 147:12-13,15-16,19-20 Mt 5:17-19  Attend Stations of the Cross in the evening.	28 Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2,6-9 Lk 11:14-23	29 † Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6c-11b,14,17 Mk 12:28-34 Abstinence – No Meat	30 Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4,18-21b Lk 18:9-14
31 Laetare Sunday Jos 5:9a,10-12 Ps 34:2-7 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3,11-32 Fourth Sunday of Lent	Monthly Devotion St. Joseph & The Passion of Our Lord Ask St. Joseph to pray for all married men that they may be faithful husbands. Meditate upon the suffering of our Lord.	Some other saints:  3 <sup>rd</sup> - St. Katharine Drexel  5 <sup>th</sup> - Sv. Teofil (Bohumil)  13 <sup>th</sup> - Sv. Patricie (Vlasta)  14 <sup>th</sup> - Sv. Matylda  17 <sup>th</sup> - St. Patrick  25 <sup>th</sup> - Sv. Dismas	The Ten Commandments 1. I am the Lord your God. You shall not have strange gods before me. 2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.	<ol> <li>Remember to keep holy the Sabbath Day.</li> <li>Honor your father and your mother.</li> <li>You shall not kill.</li> </ol>	<ul><li>6. You shall not commit adultery.</li><li>7. You shall not steal.</li><li>8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.</li></ul>	<ul><li>9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.</li><li>10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.</li></ul>

<sup>†</sup> The Bishops of the United States have asked that we observe Fasting and Abstinence on every Friday for the intentions of Life, Marriage, and Religious Freedom.