

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, A.D. 2019

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	April 6	5:00 PM	†Jerome Tobolka Twila Gavin
Sunday	April 7	8:30 AM	Pro Popluo
Sunday	April 7	10:30 AM	†Willie A. (Bill) Palousek Fonville family – In Thanksgiving
Monday	April 8	7:00 AM	†Ed & Doris Nestrsta
Tuesday	April 9	6:00 PM	Kevin & Carol Sukup (25 th Wedding Anniversary) †Stanley Havelka
Wednesday	April 10	7:00 AM	†Calvin Blackman, Jr. †Angela Danek
Thursday	April 11	7:00 AM	†Rosemary Waltman †Msgr. Emilián Foltyn
Friday	April 12	6:00 PM	Pinto & Lucille Nemeč (39 th Wedding Anniversary) †Johnnie Simek
Saturday	April 13	7:30 AM	Hector Castro Diaz Guillermo Castro Diaz
Saturday	April 13	5:00 PM	†Paul Chevalier †Pete & Eleanora Schwertner
Sunday	April 14	8:30 AM	Pro Popluo
Sunday	April 14	10:30 AM	†John & Frances Nemeč †Jacques Brousseau

Last Week's Collection(s)

March 31: Fourth Sunday of Lent: \$5,258.00
Catholic Relief Services: \$1,310.00
March Online Giving: \$1,526.75

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

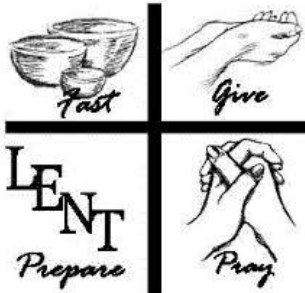
April 7 – 13: Josh & Steffani Jacobs
April 14 – 20: Helen Havelka

Rosary for Life

April 7 – 13: Chris & Sora Garlasco
April 14 – 20: Louis & Louise Straka

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, April 7: --Hospitality Sunday
--Lenten Penance Service
Monday, April 8: --Lenten Bible Study
Tuesday, April 9: --RCIA Class
Wednesday, April 10: --Stations of the Cross
--CCE / Adult Faith Classes
Thursday, April 11: --Pro-Life Adoration
(no Adoration on Thursday,
April 18, due to Holy Week.)



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Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Reconciliation: Sat: 4:00–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:45–8:10 am;
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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

Stations of the Cross - Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 PM:
Altar Servers: Natalie Mason, Martin Ortiz, William Fonville

Saturday, April 13, 5:00 PM:
Altar Servers: Matthew & Nathan Klepac, Natalie Mason
Lector: Lupe Bernal (Voice) & Jennifer Klepac (Narrator)
EMHC: Brandi Bernal, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuert
Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta
Head Usher: Donald Tschornier

Sunday, April 14, 8:30 AM:
Altar Servers: Carter Marquis, Shelby Hutchinson, Lucas Beyer
Lector: Pete Zenner (Narrator) & Chris Stefek (Voice)
EMHC: Johnny Martinka, Pete & Nancy Zenner
Gift Bearers: Pinto & Lucille Nemeč
Head Usher: Tommy Sladeczek

Sunday, April 14, 10:30 AM:
Altar Servers: Jakob Voigt, William & Emma Fonville, Martin Ortiz
Lector: Leo Bringman (Narrator) & Louis Brousseau (Voice)
EMHC: Leo Bringman
Gift Bearers: Voigt family
Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, April 14: Ray Nemeč

Many Thanks

Robert & Carolyn Barker would like to offer their sincere gratitude to everyone for the love, support and generosity shown toward their family in their time of need. May God bless you!

Everyone is invited to join us for **Hospitality Sunday** today (Sunday, April 7) in the PAC Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate our Pro-Life Group for preparing the breakfast.

We will have our **Lenten Penance Service** today (Sunday, April 7) at 5:00 p.m. in the church.

The final class of our **Lenten Bible Study** will be held this Monday, April 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. We would like to thank all who attended and facilitated the study.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Explanation of Holy Week.

Stations of the Cross this Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Join us in reflecting on the suffering and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the Cross.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, April 10, at 6:15 p.m. in the RE Bldg. We will attend Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. and then continue with class in the RE Bldg.

Adult Faith Enrichment: Class this Wednesday, April 10, in the RE Bldg, after Stations of the Cross, for the parents & students of our Sacrament 2 – First Holy Communion – class.

Pro-Life Adoration this Thursday, April 11, from 3 – 9 p.m. in the church. Celebrate the Season of Lent more fully by spending time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

*****We will not have our usual time of Adoration next Thursday, April 18, due to Holy Week.** Adoration will resume on Thursday, April 25.

Lent Fish Fry: The Knights of Columbus of St. Helen Church in Georgetown will sponsor the season's last fish fry on Friday, April 12, from 5-7 p.m. in their St. Rita bldg. Adults \$10 / Children \$5. Fried catfish, tilapia, coconut & regular shrimp.

The Weir Fire Department will hold their annual **BBQ Fundraiser** on Saturday, April 13, from 3:30-7:30 p.m. (450 FM 1105, Weir). Adults \$8 / Children \$4. Plates include brisket, sausage and fixings. Dine-in or take-out. *Take 10 Compression CPR lessons* will be held every hour.

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 NEXT Sunday, April 14, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

The **70th Annual Austin DCCW Convention** will be held at The Hilton in Waco on April 29-30. The theme is "Reflecting God's Joy" and all ladies of the Diocese of Austin are invited to attend. Ladies of the parish interested in attending can contact Lucille Nemece (254-527-3615) for more information and/or registration forms. Advance registration is requested by April 15.

Keep filling your **Ashes to Easter** boxes in support of the missionary works of the Diocese of Austin. Continue to pray, as well, for the missionaries, their work and the difficulties they face in the eye of adversity. You can return your box, to a marked basket, on Easter weekend.

Our Lenten Food Drive continues through Easter Sunday. Help provide the basic necessities for those in your community by giving non-perishable food items (a list of suggested items is available by the bulletins) or monetary donations. For questions or information, please contact Lucille D'Elia.

You are invited to embark on the **pilgrimage of a lifetime – to the Holy Land**, under the spiritual direction of Fr. Stephen and Fr. Justin Nguyen, January 13-22, 2020, at the price of \$2699 roundtrip from Austin. Information and registration packets can be found near the entrances of the church (or the church office). Availability is on a first-come, first-serve basis. There is room for 35 people and at least 20 have already signed up, so make the call before it's too late! All inquiries or questions should be directed to Fr. Justin at 254-562-3619. (Note: if you do register, remember to send a photocopy of your passport with the registration form, and keep a copy of the registration form for your files. You will also need to contact Fr. Justin to let him know that you are signing up.)

Armor of God Catholic Radio – broadcasting in our area on 106.9FM – **is NOW streaming online.** You can listen to all your favorite Catholic programs on your computer, tablet or smartphone, no matter where you are! Just go to www.armorofgodradio.com and click on the "Listen Live" button ... to hear the Daily Mass, Catholic prayers and devotionals such as the Rosary and Divine Mercy, and much more. Armor of God Catholic Radio is a commercial-free, non-profit corporation and is 100% listener funded. All donations go to the operation of the station and are tax-deductible. Please prayerfully consider supporting your Central Texas home for Catholic Radio. *Put on the Armor of God!*

Attention: Parents & Grandparents: MARK YOUR CALENDARS! VBS – where we will "Plant the Seeds of Faith" – will be here before you know it ... on Saturday, June 15, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. for ages 3 - 10. Volunteers for the day are needed, so please contact us at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com. Stay tuned for more fun details and information on signing up, etc!

**There is still time to reconcile ourselves with one another, and with God, through the Sacrament of Confession this Lent!
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 opportunities in our area:**

Holy Trinity of Corn Hill: Sunday, April 7, 5:00 p.m.;

St. Joseph in Manor: Tuesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.; St. Patrick in Hutto: Tuesday, April 9, 7:00 p.m.;

St. William in Round Rock: Wednesday, April 10, 7:00 p.m. and Monday, April 15, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Dear Parishioners,

Peace be with you. Thank you to everyone who helped out with the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday. Thank you to our Catechists, Parents, to those who set up and took down the PAC, and to those who cooked the wonderful Beef and Pork Roast meal. It was certainly delicious. May God bless all of you and may the Holy Spirit truly always be invited into the lives of those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Be sure to pray to the Spirit daily.

Here we are on this Fifth Sunday of Lent. For the next two weeks, our statues will be covered to remind us that we are in the most solemn time of our Church year. The covering of the statues reminds us that we are to give up all that is pleasing to our senses during this remaining time of Lent and focus upon the suffering of our Lord. Let us enter into these final days of Lent with our entire being, mind, body and soul, so that we can more intensely experience the joy of the resurrection and salvation.

Our Lenten Penance Service is this Sunday, April 7, at 5:00 pm. We should have about five priests hearing confessions, so come cleanse your heart and soul before Easter to experience Holy Week with a heart that is pure.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. Our Mass schedule for the Easter Triduum will be as follows:

Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.; Good Friday - 7:00 p.m.; Holy Saturday - 8:30 p.m.;

Easter Sunday - 6:30 am, 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

The Easter Triduum, during Holy Week, is our most sacred and solemn week of the whole year. **We should make it a priority to attend the celebrations on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. Please consider putting your and your family's spirituality first, setting aside other non-religious activities that may conflict with these sacred days. Let us be faithful to God.** We will have **Altar Server practice** for each of the above celebrations. Practice for Holy Thursday will be on Palm Sunday, April 14, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Practice for Good Friday will be after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday, and on Holy Saturday, practice will be at 11:00 a.m. All Altar Servers who are scheduled to serve at these celebrations are asked to be at these practices. If you are not able to serve when scheduled, please find a substitute for yourself and be sure to tell them to be at the practice for that particular day. Also please call the parish office so that we will know who will be serving. Thank you to all of you for serving at God's Altar.

The weather has been much warmer lately. Usually, when summer approaches, we are tempted to dress rather lightly or skimpy for Mass. We need to remember that, as we come to Mass, we come to worship God and to receive His Son in Holy Communion. We should dress in a way that shows respect for God. The general rule that I believe is appropriate is that anyone over 6 years of age should not wear shorts to Mass. Also, girls and ladies should wear blouses or dresses that are appropriate for Mass, nothing strapless or no spaghetti straps. Some say that God doesn't care what you wear to Mass. Well, that may be so. But the question should be "do you love God enough that you care what you wear to Mass?" Do you stand in honor of His presence? Also, if you dress appropriately for Mass, you will not be cold in church from the air conditioning. If the air is blowing on you and you are cold, try to move to another part of the church.

In today's gospel, Jesus meets the woman who was caught in the sin of adultery. The Pharisees and the Scribes condemn her. However, Jesus points out their own sinfulness, which leaves them speechless. Then, turning to the woman, he offers her God's love and forgiveness. He then tells her "Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." Many people go to God and ask for forgiveness. They may say that God will forgive every sin so they have nothing to worry about. But, they often forget that Jesus said "Go, and from now on do not sin anymore." They ignore the fact that God expects a change to take place within us, that He expects us to change our way of life. This is the only qualification that God puts on forgiveness. Let us pray that we can respond to God's request so that we can truly live in the freedom of the children of God.

Something to think about: V tenatech smrti! Chycena! Bez úniku: uvnitř zdrcující výčitky, vně krvelační žalobci. A zákon neúprosně odsuzující... To byla zkušenost té ubohé ženy: a zároveň často tou naší zkušeností. Odsuzování druhých, hlodající a zdrcující výčitky svědomí, zklamání nad sebou, odsuzování sebe („proč jsem to udělal?“, „proč jsem takový bidák?“). A navíc: neutuchající výčitky, které se nedají ničím „uplatit“. Kdo doopravdy poznal hloubku a „tvář“ hříchu, asi zažil tyto pocity. Že to patří k pravému křesťanu? Jasná odpověď zní: ne. Ježíš odsuzuje hřích, ne hříšníka. Na rozdíl od nás, kteří tak snadno „smícháme obojí dohromady“ (i to patří k naší porušené přirozenosti, že nedokážeme jasně rozlišovat). A tak odsuzujeme druhé, anebo i sebe. Obojí je koneckonců tím snadnějším způsobem, jak se vypořádat s hříchem. Ježíš jde po té těžší cestě. Nepodléhá citům, mlčí a čeká – aby zároveň poskytl čas „k prohlédnutí“ těm, kdo mají kameny již připravené. Postavit se před Ježíšem se srdcem na dlaní – neutéci, neschovat se. A Ježíš svou přítomností zahání výčitky... a bouře utichá. A tento velký dar odpuštění je zároveň závazkem: jdi, a už nehřeš. Jdi – neuvízni nevěřičně v minulosti, zaobíraný svými stinnými stránkami. Jdi – nezůstávej v minulosti, přijmi odpuštění, uvěř, že Ježíš vzal na sebe tvůj hřích. UVĚŘ A JDI – nezůstávej ležet na zemi jako poražený. Vstaň a jdi – přece Bůh tě nestvořil proto, abys zůstal vězněm smrti a černoty! Tragické totiž není prohrát a padnout, ale zůstat ležet na zemi. Ale ty jdi... a už nehřeš! Rozhodni se pro novou cestu. Řekni si: „Nechci žít jako dřív“. Ježíš tě vysvobodil proto, abys žil jako svobodný člověk – ne jako zajatec... spoutaný v tenatech smrti a sebeodsuzování. (Pastorace.cz)

May all of you continue to have a spiritually renewing Season of Lent as we prepare ourselves for Holy Week and the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter.

Fr. Stephen Nersis, farář

Interested in foreign films? **Czech That Film** is offering **popular Czech movies** – don't worry, they all have English subtitles ☺ – and you can see them at the Violet Crown Cinema in Austin (434 W 2nd Street). Three films showing on Tuesdays - April 9, 16 & 23 - at 7:00 p.m. Visit www.czechthatfilm.com for more information. A flyer is also posted on the bulletin board with film names, directors, etc. *Czech it out!*

Next weekend is Palm Sunday – which begins the most solemn week of our Church Year – *Holy Week*. Enlighten and prepare your hearts and minds with the excerpt below to better understand Jesus' sacrificial death and celebrate more fully His redeeming resurrection.

How to Enter into Holy Week

R. Jared Staudt

This is what it's all for – those forty days of prayer and penance. We've been watching with Christ in the desert these weeks to be able to enter into His Passion with Him.

Holy Week offers us a set chronology from Palm Sunday to Easter, enabling us to walk step by step with Jesus through His Passion. The actions of Holy Week do not just symbolize what happened over two thousand years ago, but through the mystical time of the liturgy enable us to enter into them and participate in the realities that present us. We enter into Holy Week primarily through the liturgy, but also by reading the Gospels and taking more time for silent prayer.

Beginning with Palm Sunday, we literally greet Christ in His procession into Jerusalem with palms. We greet Christ with the crowds and children, singing Hosanna and acclaiming Christ's kingship. We recognize that the blessed one who comes in the name of the Lord has entered into our midst. We quickly, however, must also recognize that we are the same crowd that both acclaim Him and brings about His Crucifixion. Palm Sunday becomes Passion Sunday as we read the Gospel account of the Passion and literally shout: "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!" Those dreadful words show that He truly died for our sins – our sins have brought our Savior to this moment.

Early in Holy Week Jesus enters Bethany, taking time to prepare with His friends, especially through the anointing of His feet. He reenters Jerusalem, cursing the fig tree, and cleanses the Temple as the high priest plots His death. Monday has been referred to as Fig Monday and Wednesday as Spy Wednesday, while Judas spies upon Jesus to prepare his betrayal. These events help us to place ourselves at Jesus' feet with Mary Magdalene, seeking cleansing like the Temple, and to reflect on how we have betrayed Jesus.

Maundy Thursday, named for the mandate that Jesus gave His disciples at the Last Supper, begins the great liturgical drama of the Triduum. The fact that we name the day for Jesus' new commandment to love others as He has loved us shows us the Holy Thursday's deep theological meaning. Jesus invites us into His mission of self-gift for others, flowing from the Father's love. It's a day when priests are asked to renew their priestly promises at the Chrism Mass (though this is ordinarily moved earlier in the week). We commemorate the great gifts of the priesthood and the Eucharist, which are realities present to us sacramentally, but are portrayed to us in a more pronounced way at the Holy Thursday Mass.

At the end of the Holy Thursday Mass we begin our accompaniment of Jesus through His Passion. He is processed away from the altar, representing His captivity, as it is stripped, and conveyed through a solemn procession to the altar of repose. We chant the great hymn, *Pange Lingua*, that Thomas Aquinas composed for the first feast of Corpus Christi. The third verse brings us to the Lord's Supper:

*On the night of that Last Supper,
Seated with His chosen band,
He, the Paschal Victim eating,
First fulfils the Law's command;
Then as Food to all his brethren
Gives Himself with His own Hand.*

With Jesus at the altar of repose, we try to make good the failure of the Apostles in the Garden to keep watch even for one hour. It is a tradition to visit the altars of repose of at least three churches, as we keep watch with Jesus on this night of His abandonment.

Prayer, silence, and fasting make Good Friday a particularly powerful day for uniting ourselves to the Cross. The hours between twelve and three on Good Friday, when Jesus hung on the Cross, have been considered a sacred time for prayer and silence. I would encourage you to try to get off of work these hours and spend them in church or praying as a family. Watching the Passion of the Christ before or after those hours of silence can help our imagination to enter into the mystery of Jesus' suffering. In the Stations of the Cross we can place ourselves in the place of so many of its figures, but especially Simon of Cyrene, as we reluctantly carry the cross of our lives with His Cross. The culmination of the day comes in another liturgical reading of the Passion and our veneration of the Cross.

There is a different kind of silence that settles over the world on Holy Saturday: God is dead and we await with sorrowful anticipation the triumph of Christ. Some continue the fast of Good Friday into this day to prepare for the Vigil. In the midst of the darkness of the suffering of the past days, and of the sinful world, the light of the Vigil fire breaks forth, representing the new life and the renewal of faith as it carries through the church. The Vigil brings new life to the initiated, while everyone embraces the fruits of the Resurrection as they renew their baptismal vows. The Vigil places our redemption in a cosmic perspective, recapitulating creation and the covenants God has made with His people. *And then comes the celebration!*