# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 19, A.D. 2019

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	May 18	5:00 PM	†John & Betty Emge †Carmen & Francisca Luna
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo (incense)
Sunday	May 19	10:30 AM	†Angela Danek †Ann Thompson
Tuesday	May 21	6:00 PM	†Frances Nemec †Jo Gray
Wednesday	May 22	6:30 PM	†Albina Sladecek †Norbert & Milady Tonn
Thursday	May 23	7:00 AM	†Judy Jackson Josephine Grygar
Friday	May 24	6:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (for healing) †Mike & Augustine Kohoutek
Saturday	May 25	7:30 AM	†Annie Janish Josephine Grygar
Saturday	May 25	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
		8:30 AM	Josephine Grygar (incense)
Sunday	May 26	10:30 AM	†Louis Palousek †Esther McKenzie

## Altar Flowers

The flowers in front of the Eucharistic altar are placed in loving memory of Carmen & Francisca Luna, and are donated by the Luna & Perez families.

## Last Week's Collection(s)

May 12: Weekly Collection: \$4,642.58 May 12: Online Donations: \$318.00

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

## Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

May 19 – 25: Louise Havelka May 26 – June 1: Bill & Monica Sherek

## <u>Rosary for Life</u>

May 19 – 25: Ron & Catherine Bindas May 26 – June 1: Frankie & Betty Ann Vrabel

## <u>In Memoriam</u>

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Charles Michalec** (father to Cynthia Edgar of our parish). Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. *Amen* 



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#### Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042 Financial Bookkeeper: Steffani Jacobs 512-863-3020 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 Sladecek 512-635-3496 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 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

#### Saturday, May 25, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Preston & Heather Snook Lector: Janine Nemec EMHC: Brandi Bernal, Irene Cavanaugh & Keith Youngpeter Gift Bearers: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

#### Sunday, May 26, 8:30 AM: (INCENSE)

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek, Carter Marquis, Shelby H Lector: Cynthia Edgar EMHC: Johnny Martinka, James Nemec, Brandon Danek Gift Bearers: Johnny & Dee Martinka Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

#### Sunday, May 26, 10:30 AM: (INCENSE)

Altar Servers: Jakob Voigt, William & Emma Fonville, Martin Ortiz Lector: Zenner EMHC: Pete & Nancy Zenner, Daniel Perez Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, May 26: James Nemec



Our <u>ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR</u> will be held on Sunday, September 15, and we are already preparing!

You can help us get started by donating RAFFLE PRIZES!



If you are interested in donating a prize for our Raffle, please contact Janet Havelka (512-517-8895). Seems that Gift Cards have been the trend, but any and all (new item) donations will be gladly accepted. You may consider combining resources with a friend or family member for a larger priced card or item ... but no item is too small ... and all are very much appreciated!

### Deadline for Raffle Prize donations is TODAY, Sunday, May 19.

God bless you, in advance, for your generosity and donations toward our fundraiser!

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, May 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the church, for an evening of prayer and adoration.

**CCE:** Classes have come to an end for this school year. We would like to offer our thanks to Lucille D'Elia for her hard work with the kids and the program and to all of the catechists and volunteers. None of it would be possible without you all. We wish everyone a safe and fun summer break and we'll see you back again in September!

The Georgetown/Round Rock Deanery Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will meet this Thursday, May 23, at St. Helens in Georgetown, with guest speaker, Juliana Rueda, Coordinator for Evangelization for the Diocese of Austin. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with meeting at 10:00 a.m. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend. You may contact Linda Montreuil (512-864-2451) for more information or questions.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, May 23, from 3 – 9 p.m. Come spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Collection** next weekend, May 25/26, 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** next Sunday, May 26, in the RE Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will gather in the front pews for Mass to lead the Rosary prayed beforehand.

Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for Taylor Lindholm & Rachael Piatt, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony here on Saturday, June 1. May God bless them abundantly and may they always follow Him in all that they do.

**Our Annual June Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, June 2!** We will have Mass at 10:30 a.m. with traditional Czech Hymns, sung by our choir and the Happy Czech Singers of Austin. Our Fried Chicken & Sausage meal will be served from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg. Adults \$10 / Children \$5. To-go plates available at the drive-thru (11 am – 12:30 pm). Dance from 1 – 5 pm to music by the Jodie Mikula Orchestra. Good food, fun & fellowship ... invite your family and friends! **Sweets for the dessert table** are appreciated and can be brought to the PAC the morning of the fundraiser. **If you would like to make a donation to help with the expenses**, June Fundraiser envelopes are available by the bulletins. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity!

You can *support the Pro-Life movement* by participating in Texas Alliance for Life's annual **Walk for Life** on Saturday, June 15, from 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. (at various locations in Austin, Cedar Park, Georgetown and Harker Heights). The walk-a-thon is for the entire family and promotes the sanctity of innocent human life. Register as a walker and start getting pledges to raise funds for programs that protect mothers, unborn babies and pregnancy resource centers. To register and for all information, visit www.texasallianceforlife.org or call 512-477-1244.

If you would like to donate for Altar Flowers, in honor or memory of your Father (or other loved ones), for Father's Day, you may do so by completing and returning a "Father's Day Mass Remembrance" envelope (by the bulletins). Please make sure you mark living or deceased and print clearly! Envelopes should be turned in by Sunday, June 9 (as memorials will be announced in the June 16 bulletin).

We are in much need of more parishioners to serve as ministers at Mass! Please prayerfully consider participating more fully in the Mass as a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Head Usher, and/or Gift Bearer. All of these ministries serve an integral purpose in our celebration of the Liturgies of the Mass and participation as a minister brings much spiritual joy and fulfillment. For questions, or to volunteer, please contact the parish office or speak with Fr. Stephen.

*GOD IS GOOD!* Marla Tonn would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their well wishes, prayers, cards and thoughts during Virgil's recent strokes and ill health. She is happy to say that he is doing better and will be able to return home on May 22, but she will no longer be able to leave him alone as before. If you would like to be available to sit with Virgil for short periods of time so that Marla can get groceries, run errands, etc, she would very much appreciate the help. You may contact her at 512-863-0755 for more information and details. Thank you for your consideration.

#### Dear friends in Christ,

He is Risen! He is Truly Risen! This past Wednesday, we celebrated the closing Mass for our Religious Education school year, which also included the Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Thank you to Lucille D'Elia and all the catechists and helpers who teach and love each of the students. They always strive for the students to learn about the love of Jesus and the Way He wants them to live as His disciples. May God bless them and all the students and their families during the summer months.

In these weeks after Easter Sunday, we have been reading from the Gospel of John, passages that have spoken of the events immediately following the resurrection of Jesus. Last Sunday, we heard from the 10<sup>th</sup> chapter of John that spoke of Jesus as the Shepherd. This week, we are thrust back to the events of Holy Thursday, in which Jesus speaks about how now is the time for Him to be glorified. We are reminded of the fact that this glorification came about through His suffering, death and resurrection. We are reminded that we experience the joy of the resurrection because of His suffering and death. The Church asks that we take a little pause today to remember this so that we do not forget the price that Jesus paid so that we could experience the awesome joy of His resurrected life.

Each of today's readings is concerned with the sharing of love in friendship. Peter comes to understand that God did not preserve himself for a chosen few. Jew and Gentile alike were to receive His love freely given. In today's gospel, John speaks of the love of God, a love by which sin is forgiven, and by which anything that might separate us from God is removed.

Love is given and received through Jesus Christ, by God becoming man. By this, we are lifted from the state of servant to become a friend of God. St. Paul says that, "We can now say Abba, Father," as Christ said "Father" and, in so doing, we are caught up with Him into the mystery of the Trinity. In today's gospel, we see clearly that Jesus is our friend and, therefore, we are friends of God the Father and friends of the Holy Spirit.

This friendship with God is reflected in our friendship with each other, often imperfectly, for we have levels and degrees of friendship. With some, the mutuality and understanding is easier because we say we have more in common with them.

We cannot receive friendship unless we give it. Do we turn away from those who are not quite like us and with whom we might be ashamed to be seen? Like Peter, before he was shown otherwise, we, too, are so often suspicious of the stranger...a little afraid of the "otherness" of people we do not know. If we do not understand someone, we are reluctant to offer any part of ourselves as friends.

All of us are aware of the fact that we cannot be a true friend to everyone in the world. A little six year old once said, "You can only love things near you, you can't love countries or lots of people." But, if by doing what we believe to be right, by living the truth in our lives as we see it, by loving God with all the strength that we can, and our neighbor as ourselves, if in this way we can love God in other people, whether they are special to us or not, then we are part of loving which embraces the world, and we and God are friends.

Something to think about: "Jak jsem já miloval vás, tak i vy se milujte navzájem." Těžká věc! To je skutečně "těžká věc" mluvit na dnešní evangelium. A ještě těžší je toto evangelium žít. Jistě, nabízí se tu témata jako úcta, tolerance, přijetí, laskavost.... ale to je ještě málo. To zůstává "pod evangelní laťkou".

Tak především... milovat jako Kristus neznamená množit co nejvíc skutků. Nežádá se totiž kvantita, ale kvalita. O tom krásně mluví jiný evangelní text, o daru vdovy – mnozí dali do chrámové pokladničky velké obnosy, vdova jen pár drobných, a přece dala víc. Ona totiž dala ve skutečnosti víc, i když málo – protože dala "ze sebe", ne z nadbytku. Je možné rozdat všechen majetek, vydat sám sebe k upálení... a přitom nemít lásku (1 Kor 13,3)!

Milovat druhého... jako Kristus znamená paradoxně... nejprve přijmout, že Kristus právě mě (a ne ty druhé kolem mě) má rád, přijímá. Že právě kvůli mně dal svůj život (ne čas, peníze, majetek). Že i kdyby nebyl žádný jiný člověk, tak jen kvůli mně, jen kvůli mně by podstoupil celou tu Kalvárii. A přijmout, že tento Ježíš mě má rád stejně intenzivně jako tenkrát... že jeho srdce tluče pro mě stejně jako při poslední večeři. A čím víc chápu tuto Ježíšovu vydanost (ne ve prospěch nějaké neosobní masy, ale pro mě), čím víc se nechávám prostoupit vědomím, že jsem milovaný (a ne opovrhovaný), pak tím víc jsem schopný se dávat druhým. Nikdo totiž nedá, co nemá.... Milovat jako Ježíš znamená mít druhé rád... stejnou kvalitou – není důležitá kvantita (skutků), ale kvalita. (Pastorace.cz)

#### Mayo-18-19, Quinto Domingo de Pascua

Las lecturas de esta semana nos llaman a vivir aquello que celebramos cada semana en la Eucaristía: que nos amemos los unos a los otros en Cristo. Nuestra celebración está muerta si no nos transforma en gente de Dios, gente de amor y servicio. El ministerio de Paul lo sacó del mundo Judío, hacia el mundo Gentil ¿Quién necesita escuchar la palabra de Dios y experimentar el amor de Dios esta semana?

May all of you have a most blessed week. Don't forget to pray the rosary with your family.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

# Holy Trinity Catholic Church CCE News May 2019

## Year-end Wrap-up!



Wow, what a year this has been! During the Easter Vigil, students in the Faith Formation class received Sacraments including Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Stephanie Wright did an amazing job of introducing those students to our faith last year and then preparing them for the reception of the Sacraments this year. They will continue in their faith formation journey by joining their appropriate grade level class.

On May 5, our Sacrament 2 class received their First Holy Communion. Chelsea Williams had a busy year getting the students ready and Jennifer Klepac prepared the parents. This was a new program for us and, thanks to our terrific catechists, it was a great success. We hope to continue to hold adult education classes next year in conjunction with the student classes and Jennifer will again work with our adults.

This year, we will be granting our catechist, Brandi Bernal, a sabbatical from teaching so that she can pursue her Master's Degree. Congratulations to her and thanks for all of the hard work and dedication she has given to this program. Also, this year, we will be bidding a very tearful goodbye to Matt and Laura Soto. Since they arrived here, they have both been a very important part of our program and our parish and we will miss them and their delightful children very much. We wish them many blessings as they relocate closer to family.

As you can tell, the CCE Program would not be possible without the dedication and hard work of our catechists and helpers. One of those helpers should be considered the "unsung hero" of the CCE Program. Brandon Fonville is one of the most important people in our program as he keeps the children safe. He puts up traffic cones, locks doors, shepherds children back and forth from church and parking lot and checks to be sure that no one is left in the building and that no one else comes into the building. When he isn't doing those million and one things, he helps with snacks, crafts and checking on classrooms. I honestly don't know what I would do without him and I hope I never have to find out. Thank you, Brandon, for being the back-bone of our program.

We are also blessed to have wonderful music during our Wednesday Masses and for that we thank Ronnie Simek, Judith Stefek and the choir.

Through the year, many other people help within the program and I wish to thank all of them for everything they do. At least three times a year, we have sacramental celebrations and the Christian Mothers always come through and provide delicious meals and wonderful hospitality to our students and their families. Thank you so much to those terrific ladies and their families.

We are truly thankful for Fr. Stephen, as he not only says Mass every week, but he also schedules Reconciliation times for the children. During CCE, he can also be found visiting the classrooms and encouraging the students. It's no wonder they all run up the aisle to get their bulletin every week!

Finally, I would like to say thank you to the parishioners of Holy Trinity for the ways in which you support our program. Not only with your generous offerings to the Faith Formation collection each month, but by the many ways that you encourage, congratulate and help the children grow in their faith. Our parish always leads by example and our children can see that being a part of our Catholic faith, and of our parish, is truly a wonderful way to not only worship God but to truly enjoy life. Thanks be to God for all of you.

In Christ, Lucille D'Elia