## HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

## Pentecost Sunday

June 9, A.D. 2019

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	June 8	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of the Joseph & Marie Valenta family †Rosemary Waltman
Sunday	June 9	8:30 AM	Pro Populo (incense)
		10:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of the John & Annie Valis family †Earl & Oma Fonville
Monday	June 10	7:00 AM	†Maria Ndagizimana
Tuesday	June 11	6:00 PM	†Calvin Blackman, Jr. †William & Lydia Whitlow
Wednesday	June 12	6:30 PM	†Paul Chevalier †Bernice Huf
Thursday	June 13	7:00 AM	Marshall, Brielle & Conner Cooke †Jerry David
Friday	June 14	6:00 PM	†Frances Nemec †Msgr. Emilián Foltýn
Saturday	June 15	7:30 AM	†Doris Nesrsta Craig & Krystle
Saturday	June 15	5:00 PM	For all Fathers, Living & Deceased
Sunday	June 16	8:30 AM	For all Fathers, Living & Deceased (incense)
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

## <u>Altar Flowers</u>

The flowers at the Crucifix & Tabernacle are placed in honor of the living & deceased members of the Joseph & Marie Valenta family.

#### Last Week's Collection(s)

June 2: Weekly Collection: \$5,153.25 Online Donations: \$ 313.00

## Rosary for Life

June 9 – 15: Jeff & Stephanie Wright June 16 – 22: Tim & Gwyn Vrabel family

#### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

June 9 – 15: Keith Youngpeter June 16 - 22: Kathy Windhauser

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



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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: 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, June 15, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Nathan Klepac, Natalie Mason Lector: Lupe Bernal EMHC: Brandi Bernal, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Gift Bearers: Johnny & Bernice Hernandez Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

#### Sunday, June 16, 8:30 AM: (INCENSE)

Altar Servers: Carter Marquis, Lucas Beyer, William & Adelaide B Lector: Cynthia Edgar EMHC: Cynthia Edgar, Ray Nemec, Brandon Danek Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek Head Usher: A.J. Batla

#### Sunday, June 16, 10:30 AM: (INCENSE)

Altar Servers: Thomas C, Samuel W, Martin Ortiz, William Fonville Lector: Leo Bringman EMHC: Leo Bringman, Leslie & Linda Allen Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, June 16: Brandon Danek

#### In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Rudy Cepak**, of our parish family, who died and was buried here this past week, and to the family of **Gary C. Wood** (father to Kelly Godfrey of our parish family), who also died this past week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. *Amen*  This is the last weekend to donate toward our Father's Day Altar Flowers, in honor or memory of your Father (or other loved ones), and 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! Memorials will be announced in the June 16 bulletin.

Our annual **Father's Day CEF Enrollment Drive** will be held this weekend (June 8/9) and next (June 15/16) for anyone wishing to enroll their fathers, grandfathers, sons, etc. Enrollments for other occasions/persons can also be made. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card, and benefits the education of our diocesan seminarians.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We appreciate Jennifer Klepac & Crew for preparing the meal.

**Pro-Life Adoration:** this Thursday, June 13, from 3 – 9 p.m. Come spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** on Thursday, June 20, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited. The agenda for the meeting is on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

It's Time ... to start selling our Bazaar Raffle Tickets! During your summer outings...while visiting friends or family on vacation, attending family reunions, etc...don't forget to take some raffle tickets to sell. We have over \$6500 worth of prizes that everyone can benefit from! Books are available by the bulletins in the church and larger quantities can be obtained from the parish office or from Janet Havelka (512-517-8895). Stubs and money can be returned in the collection, by mail, at the office or to Janet. Thank you for your help!

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.

**Pentecost Sunday - June 8/9 -** The Gospel for Pentecost Sunday echoes the Second Sunday of Easter – Jesus breathing the Holy Spirit of peace and forgiveness upon the disciples. The reading from Acts shows how the Spirit in them reverses the tower of Babel story by having the many all hear and understand. How is the Spirit working in us to bring peace, forgiveness and understanding to our world?

When a natural or man-made disaster strikes, we are all impacted. **Catholic Charities of Central Texas** provides help and hope to families in all 25 counties of our diocese who are touched by disaster, walking with them on their journey to normalcy and stability. To learn more about how you can assist help to meet the immediate and long-term needs of families on the road to recovery, visit www.ccctx.org/disaster-response.

**MARIAPOLIS is a wholesome summer retreat for individuals and families!** Looking for a unique experience this summer? One where you and your whole family will come away enriched with people with a common desire for spiritual growth? And one that includes programs and games for adults, teens, children and a nursery for the youngest? The Mariapolis may be for you! Centered on putting the Gospel into practice through loving your neighbor, this retreat, sponsored by the Focolare Movement, begins with a barbecue in the afternoon of July 4 and concludes after Mass on July 7, at Schreiner University in beautiful Kerrville. For more information, e-mail: henschen88@yahoo.com or tony.sawan@yahoo.com.

Married couples are invited to strengthen, renew and rekindle their sacrament of matrimony by attending one of the **2019 Marriage Encounter** weekends: Sept. 6-8 in Round Rock or Nov. 1-3 in Belton. The emphasis of the Marriage Encounter ministry is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday life, to concentrate on each other. For more information, visit www.austinme.org or call (512) 677-9963.

Ladies—get your girlfriends together and come to the Diocese of Austin Women's conference on Saturday, September 7, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at St. William Parish in Round Rock. Program includes guest speakers (in English and Spanish), Mass, Vendors, Reconciliation and more. Last year's conference sold out quickly, so reserve your seat today at www.austindiocese.org/womens-conference. <u>Register by June 15 for the early bird price of \$45!</u> After that, cost is \$55.

#### Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Thank you to everyone who helped to make our June Fundraiser a success. Thank you for all who worked behind the scenes to set up the hall, prepare the To-Go signs and tent, those who worked preparing the food, those who worked to serve the food and the refreshments, and, those who took down and cleaned the PAC afterwards. It takes a lot of helping hands to make everything go smoothly. All of your hard work in greatly appreciated. We will have a report of the earnings as soon as all the bills have been paid. May God bless all of you in return.

May the Spirit of God be with you all. Today we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost, the day the Holy Spirit came upon the Apostles and the others who were gathered in the upper room where they were staying. After the Holy Spirit descended upon them, as tongues of flame on their heads, the Apostles, being led by Peter, went forth with courage and proclaimed Jesus to all that they met. The Holy Spirit gives each of us those same gifts that were given to the Apostles. We are to go forth and proclaim the name of Jesus just as they did. How well are we doing this? Do we call out to the Spirit to be with us? It is important that we seek to live in the Holy Spirit each day.

Pentecost is also considered the birthday of the Church. Jesus had already consecrated the Apostles to be His priests, as we read in the Gospel of John, and now He gives them all they need to begin to form His Church, which, by the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Century, would already be called the Catholic Church. Jesus said that He would be with the Church and that the "powers of death would not prevail against it." *We* are that Church and we believe that what Jesus said is true and that He is with us. Victory is His!

Monday begins the Season of Ordinary Time, a time in which we reflect upon the ordinary, day-to-day life of Jesus as He ministers to God's people. However, each day of His life, in comparison to ours, was not so ordinary...it was rather extraordinary! We, too, are called to live this same life of Jesus and to be God's presence to one another. May we fulfill this calling by loving one another as God loves us. May the Holy Spirit be with us in this great adventure.

On Tuesday, June 11, we celebrate the feast of St. Barnabas. He was an important companion of St. Paul in the early Church helping him to establish Christian communities all throughout Asia Minor and Greece. He and St. Paul went to Jerusalem to consult the Apostles about what should be required of the Gentile converts. This meeting became known as the Council of Jerusalem, the first Council of the Church. May we have the same apostolic spirit to proclaim the name of Jesus in our own day and time.

Thursday, June 13, is the feast of St. Anthony of Padua. Born in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1231, he was a Franciscan Friar and the first in this newly found religious order to teach theology to his fellow friars. He is known as the Evangelical Doctor. St. Anthony is the patron saint of the poor and of lost articles.

Next Sunday, June 16, we will have Altar Server practice after the 8:30 am Mass for the annual Corpus Christi Procession that will be on June 23. All Altar Servers who are scheduled to serve at the 8:30 am Mass on June 23 are asked to be at this short practice.

Warmer weather is here. 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 and 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 and are you willing to do something special for Him?" Do you stand in honor in 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.

K Úvaze: Strach je jednou z lidských vlastností. Ani apoštolové, i když si někdy myslíme, že byli dokonalí, měli strach. Báli se o svůj život. Nevěděli, co s nimi bude po ukřižování Krista. Zavřeli se a v nejistotě čekali. A do této nejistoty přichází Ježíš, aby je potěšil, zbavil nejistoty. Říká: "Pokoj vám!" Učedníci měli z toho radost. Strach z nich spadl a nejen to. Ježíš jim nic nevyčítá, ale dává jim velký dar - Ducha svatého, aby šli do celého světa a bez obav vyprávěli, jak dobrý je Ježíš, který dokáže odpustit.

Ducha svatého, tak jako apoštolové, přijímáme ve svátosti biřmování, kterou uděluje biskup. I tato svátost je posilou do našeho konkrétního života, abychom neměli strach, že se nám bude někdo kvůli Kristu smát nebo říkat, že to není pravda. Tak jako apoštoly Boží Duch posiloval i k mučednické smrti, tak jistě i nás povzbudí a posílí, abychom kolem sebe rozdávali pokoj, který i nás Kristus přináší.

Domingo de Pentecostés: El Evangelio del domingo de Pentecostés hace eco del segundo domingo de Pascua – Jesús respirando el Espíritu Santo de paz y perdón sobre sus discípulos. La lectura de los Hechos nos muestra cómo el Espíritu en ellos invierte la historia de la torre de Babel al hacer que todos escuchen y entiendan ¿Cómo está el Espíritu trabajando en nosotros para traer paz, perdón y entendimiento al mundo?

May the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Please pray for Jiří Klos and Lukáš Dořičák, two of the Czech transitional deacons who visited us this past summer, as they are celebrating their Ordinations to the Priesthood at the end of June. Thought you might enjoy seeing the beautiful invitation. Mé srdce si opakuje tvoji výzvu: "Hledejte mou tvář." Hospodine, tvář tvou hledám. S vděčností Bohu S velkou radostí Vám oznamuji, že přijmu a Vám všem, budu slavit **KNĚŽSKÉ SVĚCENÍ** PRIMIČNÍ MŠI SVATOU v sobotu 6. července 2019 v sobotu 29. června 2019 v 10:00 v kostele v 9:30 v katedrále Panny Marie Královny Božského Spasitele v Ostravě-Mariánských Horách v Ostravě. www.primice.cz liří Klos

# Pentecost: the Difference that the Spirit Makes

Marcellino D'ambrosio, Ph.D.

As a teen, I thought the clergy were supposed to do everything. We laity were just called to pray, pay, and obey. Oh yes, and keep the commandments, of course. The original 10 seemed overwhelming enough. Then I discovered the Sermon on the Mount and nearly passed out.

Perhaps this is why many inactive Catholics are so resentful of their upbringing in the Church. For them, religion means frustration, failure, and guilt.

Somehow they, and I, missed the good news about Pentecost. OK, we Catholics celebrate the feast every year and mention it in Confirmation class, but lots of us evidently didn't "get it."

Because if we "got it," we'd be different . . . bold instead of timid, energetic instead of anemic, fascinated instead of bored. Compare the apostles before and after Pentecost and you'll see the difference the Spirit makes.

The gospel is Good News not just because we're going to heaven, but because we've been empowered to become new people, here and now. Vatican II insisted that each of us is called to the heights of holiness (Lumen Gentium, chapter V). Not by will-power, mind you. But by Holy Spirit power. Holiness consists in faith, hope, and especially divine love. These are "virtues," literally "powers," given by the Spirit. To top it off, the Spirit gives us seven further gifts which perfect faith, hope, and love, making it possible for us to live a supernatural, charismatic life. Some think this is only for the chosen few, "the mystics." Thomas Aquinas taught to the contrary that the gifts of Isaiah 11:1-3 (wisdom, knowledge, understanding, counsel, piety, fortitude, and fear of the Lord) are standard equipment given in baptism, that all are called to be "mystics."

Vatican II also taught that every Christian has a vocation to serve. We need power for this, too. And so the Spirit distributes other gifts, called "charisms." These, teaches St. Thomas, are not so much for our own sanctification as for service to others. There is no exhaustive list of charisms, though St. Paul mentions a few (I Corinthians 12:7-10, Romans 12:6-8) ranging from tongues to Christian marriage (1 Corinthians7: 7). Charisms are not doled out by the pastors; but are given directly by the Spirit through baptism and confirmation, even sometimes outside of the sacraments (Acts 10:44-48).

Do I sound Pentecostal? That's because I belong to the largest Pentecostal Church in the world, which is the Catholic Church. Correcting the mistaken notion that the charisms were just for the apostolic church, Vatican II had this to say: "Allotting His gifts 'to everyone according as he will' (1 Cor. 12:11), He [the Holy Spirit] distributes special graces among the faithful of every rank. . . . These charismatic gifts, whether they be the most outstanding or the more simple and widely diffused, are to be received with thanksgiving and consolation, for they are exceedingly suitable and useful for the needs of the Church".

Powerful gifts ... freely given to all. Sounds like a recipe for chaos. But the Lord also imparted to the apostles and their successors a unifying charism of headship. The role of the ordained is not to do everything themselves. Rather, they are to discern, shepherd, and coordinate the charisms of the laity so that they mature and work together for the greater glory of God.

So what if you, like me, did not quite "get it" when you were Confirmed? I've got good news for you. You actually *did* get the Spirit and His gifts. Have you ever received a new credit card with a sticker saying "must call to activate before using?" The Spirit and his gifts are the same way. You have to call in and activate them. Do it today and every day, and especially every time you attend Mass, because every sacramental celebration is a New Pentecost where the Spirit and his gifts are poured out anew (*CCC 739, 1106*).

That's why the Christian Life is an adventure. There will always be new surprises of the Spirit!