

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

June 23, A.D. 2019

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	June 22	5:00 PM	†Hubert Klepac and for the Liv/Dec Members of the Louis & Mary Loykasek-Zrubek family
Sunday	June 23	8:30 AM	Pro Populo (incense)
		10:30 AM	†Pete & Eleanora Schwertner Billy & Kathy Meissner (40 th Wedding Anniversary)
Monday	June 24	7:00 AM	†Ed & Doris Nestrsta
Tuesday	June 25	NO MASS	
Wednesday	June 26	NO MASS	
Thursday	June 27	NO MASS	
Friday	June 28	NO MASS	
Saturday	June 29	No Morning Mass	
Saturday	June 29	5:00 PM	†Greg Maney Virgil Tonn (for healing)
Sunday	June 30	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of the Bernard Schwertner family

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix & Tabernacle are placed in honor of the **Living & Deceased Members of the Fabian & Katherine Havelka family.**

Last Week's Collection(s)

June 16: Weekly Collection: \$4,345.00
Online Donations: \$ 303.00

Rosary for Life

June 23 – 29: **Frank & Lucille D'Elia**
June 30 – July 6: Michael Vrana

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

June 23 – 29: **Agnes Taylor**
June 30 – July 6: Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

****No Adoration on Thursday, July 4****



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Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm

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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Parish Activity Center (PAC) Rentals: Parish Office

Cemetery Information: Parish Office

Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

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K.J.T. Society #55: John Danek 512-746-4168

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Catholic Life Insurance #50: Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemecek 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 29, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Nathan Klepac, Natalie Mason

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Janine Nemecek, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Gift Bearers: Mark & Debbie Klaus

Head Usher: Donald Tschoner

Sunday, June 30, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek, Shelby H, William Brousseau

Lector: Chris Stefek

EMHC: Cynthia Edgar, James Nemecek, Brandon Danek

Gift Bearers: Billy & Belinda Beyer

Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Sunday, June 30, 10:30 AM:

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

Lector: Duane Blakeslee

EMHC: Duane & Gwen Blakeslee, Daniel Perez

Gift Bearers: Hodgson family

Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-ins: **Sunday, June 30:** Brandon Danek

Prayer for Corpus Christi

Most Holy and Almighty God, we thank you and praise you for giving us the most precious body and blood of Your only son, Jesus Christ. Through the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we are able to nourish our bodies and souls. We thank you for having made Yourself our food and for uniting us with You in this beautiful Sacrament. Amen.

Thanks to everyone's hard work and generosity, we made a profit of \$8,901.81 at our June Fundraiser. God bless!

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Collection** this weekend (June 22/23) 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.

Everyone is invited to join in our annual **Corpus Christi Procession** after the 8:30 a.m. Mass today (Sunday, June 23).

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, June 27, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church ... and ... **mark your calendars now** ... there will be no Adoration on Thursday, July 4, due to the holiday.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet** next Sunday, June 30, in the RE Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. (Members, please note the change from the usual 4th Sunday meeting date due to the Corpus Christi Procession on June 23.) All ladies are invited to attend the meeting. Members will gather in the front pews for Mass to lead the Rosary prayed beforehand on June 30.

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Granger will host a **Chicken Dinner & Dance** next Sunday, June 30, at their Parish Hall. Adults \$10 / Children \$5. The dance will be held from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. and cost is \$10 per person to attend.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held on Monday, July 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We appreciate the K.J.Z.T., Society #15, for preparing the meal.

All visitors and parishioners are invited for **Hospitality Sunday** on Sunday, July 7, in the PAC Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate Catholic Life Insurance, Branch #50, for preparing the breakfast.

We will have our first **Bazaar Planning Meeting** on Sunday, July 7, in the PAC Bldg, immediately after Hospitality Sunday. All Bazaar Chairpersons and Function Leaders, as well as anyone else interested in helping with or learning more about the Bazaar, are encouraged to attend.



Do you enjoy working with children and teaching them about our faith? If so, then our CCE Program needs you! We need catechists, classroom helpers and everything in between. Lesson plans, training and materials will be provided. Please prayerfully consider joining our program. We guarantee you will enjoy sharing your faith with these terrific kids. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com.

We are in much need of more parishioners to serve as ministers at all weekend Mass times! 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, contact the office or speak with Fr. Stephen.

****To serve as a Mass Minister, Catechist or CCE Volunteer, on a parish council, etc, you must be certified in the diocesan Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM) course, but please don't let this stop you from volunteering, as it is an easy process that only takes 2 hours of your time every three years. For more information about becoming/remaining EIM certified, please read the following:**

Mark your calendars and prepare for our upcoming Ethics & Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Workshop on Saturday, July 20, from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. in the PAC Bldg. Several of our parishioners/ministers/catechists are in need of a refresher course in July 2019 – so please check your renewal date. 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 (though we are one of the only ones in July, so please make every effort to attend if your last workshop was in July of 2016. All other 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! This workshop 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 us!

Bazaar Raffle Tickets: Don't forget to pick up some raffle tickets to sell ... during your summer outings...while visiting friends or family on vacation, attending family reunions, etc. 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!

****Just to clarify some Raffle confusion...** our request for you to pick up and sell Raffle tickets, from the bulletin tables, is simply an effort to sell (more) Raffle tickets earlier on in the game. This does not replace the usual 'Bazaar Letters & Raffle Ticket envelopes' that will be handed out to each parish family, as we have always done in the past, which will begin on the weekend of July 13/14. For any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call the parish office or talk to Janet Havelka.

Dear friends in Christ,

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. Since the time of the Apostles, the Church has believed and taught that Jesus is present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Holy Communion that we receive at Mass. The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus during the consecration in the Eucharistic Prayer. The appearance remains the same, but the substance changes. This is not a symbolic presence, but, it is the REAL PRESENCE of Jesus. That is why we take such care of the Blessed Sacrament, the Eucharist, and offer to the Real Presence of Jesus our Adoration and Praise. That is why we have our annual Corpus Christi Procession, to give a more public witness of our belief in this Real Presence.

The early Church Fathers wrote about this presence, as did St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 10:16–17, 11:23–29). May we all be careful of how we speak about the Holy Communion that we receive at Mass. We should speak of it as the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ, not just bread and wine. And, just as Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes in today's Gospel, Jesus continues to multiply His presence around the world as Mass is celebrated. He continues to feed and nourish us so that we may have the strength we need to live the life He has given us to live. We pray that one day all Christians will once again believe what the Apostles and the early Church believed about Jesus' Real Presence in Holy Communion.

Myšlenky: Svátek Božího Těla, jak jsou lidé u nás stále spíš zvyklí říkat dnešnímu svátku Těla a krve Páně, může být nejen dnem velké úcty, ale zejména dnem velké radosti. Tento svátek sice leží až za okruhem velikonoční doby, ale ani tak si ho nemůžeme od tajemství Velikonoc oddělit. Je to svátek setkání se vzkříšeným Kristem, ve kterém nechybí tajemství jeho kříže, jeho smrti.

Pavel, který se jako Šavel setkal v omračujícím zážitku u Damašku se vzkříšeným Ježíšem, a který neúnavně hlásal Ježíše ukřižovaného a vzkříšeného, odevzdává křesťanům v Korintě - a nakonec i nám - to, co od Pána přijal: že Ježíš tu noc, kdy byl zrazen odevzdal učedníkům, a tak celé církvi, úžasný dar. Dar setkání, který po jeho smrti a vzkříšení se stal darem oživujícím církev: eucharistii. Je dobré si uvědomit, že živé setkání s tajemstvím kříže je možné jen proto, že Ježíšův život na kříži sice skončil smrtí, ale za touto smrtí je vzkříšení. Vzkříšený Ježíš, živý, se s námi v eucharistii setkává a to nejen tak, že bychom se "viděli", ale tak, že se nám dává za pokrm. A Ježíš, který za nás zemřel, který na sebe vzal smrt na kříži, je ten jediný, kdo nás může zcela od hříchu a od smrti zachránit.

Radost dnešního dne tedy může a má být opravdu křesťanská. Není to jen radost z toho, že máme svého Spasitele mezi sebou, přítomného ve svátosti. Je to radost z toho, že je to skutečně ten, kdo byl ochoten za nás jít až do krajnosti a položit za nás život a je živý. Živý, vzkříšený, na pravici Otce. Ten, který se nás stále ujímá. Pán.

Myšlenka průvodů o Božím Těle byla tato: vyjít se svým Pánem do ulic, ukázat, že si ho vážíme, ukázat, že ho opravdu ve všem považujeme za svého Pána. Ta myšlenka je samozřejmě správná. Je třeba s Ježíšem vyjít do ulic, je třeba aby byl přítomen ve všech zákoutích naší země. Ale dnes mnohem silněji cítíme, že Ježíš nemá vejít do světa jen v eucharistii, ale že tam má vejít v nás. Jakožto křesťané jsme s Ježíšem ukřižovaným a vzkříšeným spojeni. On je uprostřed nás, on svým Duchem v nás bydlí jako v chrámu. A tak nás, kdo mu patříme, posílá. Ne jen jednou za rok a ne jen ve slavnostním průvodu, ale denně a často v pracovních šatech do světa. Do všech zákoutí tohoto světa. K lidem, kteří jsou nám přátelsky nakloněni, i k těm ostatním. Protože on chce, aby všichni lidé došli k poznání pravdy a ke spáse. Aby se všichni mohli s ním - vzkříšeným - trvale radovat. A proto nás, křesťany, potřebuje a proto nás vysílá do světa, když nás přitom sytí svým tělem a svou krví. (Pastorace.cz)

La Solemnidad del Bendito Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo: Somos gente Eucarística y la solemnidad de hoy celebra este gran regalo que se nos ha dado – Compartir del mismo Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo. Al compartir agradecidos, del festín Eucarístico somos llamados a dar testimonio de nuestra gratitud al convertirnos en nutriente para otros. Nos comprometemos a ser rotos y abiertos y a derramarnos por otros tal como Jesús ha hecho por nosotros ¿Qué sacrificio estamos dispuestos a hacer por los otros en gratitud por el sacrificio que Cristo hizo por nosotros?

May all of you have a most blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář



The Eucharist: Corpus Christi?

Marcellino D'ambrosio, Ph.D.

The Catholic Church teaches the doctrine of *transubstantiation*, namely that, in the Eucharist, the communion wafer and the altar wine are transformed and really become the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Have you ever met anyone who has found this Catholic doctrine to be a bit hard to take?

If so, you shouldn't be surprised. When Jesus spoke about eating his flesh and drinking his blood in John 6, his words met with a less than enthusiastic reception. How can this man give us his flesh to eat? (V 52). This is a hard saying...who can listen to it? (V60). In fact, so many of his disciples abandoned him over this, that Jesus had to ask the twelve if they also planned to quit. It is interesting that Jesus did not run after his disciples saying, don't go, I was just speaking metaphorically!

How did the early Church interpret these challenging words of Jesus? Interesting fact...one charge the pagan Romans lodged against the Christians was cannibalism. Why? You guessed it. They heard that this sect regularly met to eat and drink human blood. Did the early Christians say: wait a minute, it's only a symbol!? Not at all.

When trying to explain the Eucharist to the Roman Emperor around 155 AD, St. Justin did not mince his words: *"For we do not receive these things as common bread or common drink; but as Jesus Christ our Savior, being incarnate by God's word, took flesh and blood for our salvation, so also we have been taught that the food consecrated by the word of prayer, which comes from him, is the flesh and blood of that incarnate Jesus."*

Not many Christians questioned the real presence of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist until the Middle Ages. In trying to explain how bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Christ, several theologians went astray and needed to be corrected by Church authority. Then St. Thomas Aquinas came along and offered an explanation that became classic. In all change that we observe in this life, he teaches, appearances may change, but, deep down, the essence of a thing stays the same.

Example: if, in a fit of mid-life crisis, I traded my mini-van for a Ferrari, got tanned, bleached my hair blonde, spiked it, buffed up at the gym, and took a trip to the plastic surgeon, I'd look a lot different on the surface. But for all my trouble, deep down, I'd still substantially be the same old baby boomer.

St. Thomas said the Eucharist is the one instance of change we encounter in this world that is exactly the opposite. The appearances of bread and wine stay the same, but the very essence or substance of these realities, which cannot be detected by a microscope, is totally transformed. What was once bread and wine are now Christ's body and blood. A handy word was coined to describe this unique change. Transformation of the sub-stance, what stands-under the surface, came to be called transubstantiation.

What makes this happen? The power of God's Spirit and Word. After praying for the Spirit to come (epiklesis), the priest, who stands in the place of Christ, repeats the words of the God-man: This is my Body, This is my Blood. Sounds to me like Genesis 1: the mighty wind (read Spirit) whips over the surface of the water and God's Word resounds. Let there be light and there was light. It is no harder to believe in transubstantiation than to believe in Creation.

But why did Jesus arrange for this transformation of bread and wine? Because he intended another kind of transformation. The bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ which are, in turn, meant to transform us. Ever hear the phrase: you are what you eat? The Lord desires us to be transformed from a motley crew of imperfect individuals into the Body of Christ, come to full stature.

Our evangelical brethren often speak of an intimate, personal relationship with Jesus. But I ask you, how much more personal and intimate can you get? We receive the Lord's body into our physical bodies that we may become him whom we receive!

Such an awesome gift deserves its own feast. And that's why, back in the days of Thomas Aquinas and St. Francis of Assisi, the Pope decided to institute the Feast of Corpus Christi.