# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

# Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, A.D. 2019

#### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	August 31	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 1	8:30 AM	†Greg Maney
		10:30 AM	Bill & Monica Sherek (35th Wedding Anniversary)
Tuesday	Sept 3	6:00 PM	Lauren Buchhorn (for healing) For Blessings of Rain
Wednesday	Sept 4	6:30 PM	†Johnnie Simek †Norma Klaus
Thursday	Sept 5	7:00 AM	†Msgr. Emilián Foltýn Craig & Krystle
Friday	Sept 6	6:00 PM	Marshall, Brielle & Conner Cooke †John & Betty Emge
Saturday	Sept 7	7:30 AM	†Virginia McMaster The Thole & Hoeger families
Saturday	Sept 7	5:00 PM	†Hubert Klepac †Bill Klepac
Sunday	Sept 8	8:30 AM	†Frances Nemec †Charles Jones
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

#### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Eucharistic Altar are placed in honor of (and donated by)

Bill & Monica Sherek in celebration of their 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

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

August 25: Weekly Collection: \$4,532.00 Online Donations: \$ 303.00

Faith Formation: \$1,493.00

# **Rosary for Life**

**September 1 – 7: Lupe & Brandi Bernal family** September 8 – 14: Josh & Steffani Jacobs family

# **Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign**

**September 1 – 7: Louise Havelka** September 8 – 14: Bill & Monica Sherek

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



Pope Gregory the Great Doctor of the Church Feast Day - September 3

### 🕆 Fr. Stephen Nesrsta 🕆

**Website:** www.holytrinityofcornhill.org **Hours:** Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm

Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Klepac (512-863-3020) 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
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 512-746-2902Catholic Life Insurance #50: Tommy Sladecek 512-635-3496CEF 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, September 7, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Nathan Klepac

Lector: Jennifer Klepac

EMHC: Patsy Hightower, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz

Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta

Head Usher: Howard Mertink

Sunday, September 8, 8:30 AM: Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy Stefek

Lector: Louis Brousseau

EMHC: Pete & Nancy Zenner, James Nemec

Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

Sunday, September 8, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C, Preston & Heather Snook

Lector: Duane Blakeslee

EMHC: Gwen Blakeslee, Leslie & Linda Allen

**Gift Bearers:** Hodgson family **Head Usher:** Frank Knapek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, September 8: James Nemec

#### This Week at a Glance

Sunday, September 1: Monday, September 2: Wednesday, September 4:

Wednesday, September Thursday, September 5: Friday, September 6: --Bazaar Planning Meeting --Senior Citizens' Supper

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Friday, September 6: --First Friday Mass
Saturday, September 7: --First Saturday Mass

--Saturday Parish Potluck

We will have our final Bazaar Planning meeting today (Sunday, September 1) in the RE Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

SSCM Church in Granger invites everyone for their annual **Parish Bazaar** today (Sunday, September 1). Meal of BBQ & Sausage, dressing and all the trimmings will be served beginning at 11 a.m. Adults \$10 / Children \$8. Drive-thru plates from 11 am – 12:30 p.m. Live auction begins at 1:30 p.m. Games for all ages and a dance, with music by Fritz Hodde & Fabulous Six, from 7 - 11 p.m.

St. John Church in Fayetteville will host its **annual feast** today (Sunday, September 1). BBQ Beef & Pork and Sausage dinner will be served at 11 a.m. Adults \$12 / Children \$5. Day of entertainment for kids, live auction, live music and more.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, September 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. We appreciate the Moravian Club for preparing the meal.

Our CCE classes will begin on Wednesday, September 18. Class time is 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. Each Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Mass will be attended by the CCE students and parents are very much encouraged to stay and attend as well --- which provides a good example for your child(ren)! To start everything off right, please see the important dates below:

## --Introductory Parent/Student Meetings:

- Grades 5 Confirmation 2: there will be a meeting to discuss the Sacrament of Confirmation this Wednesday, September 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. This is more or less a "leading up to Confirmation" meeting for grades 5 7, but is MANDATORY for the Parents & Students of Confirmation 1 & 2 to discuss the current year.
- Grades Pre-K 2: there will be a meeting to discuss the Sacraments of First Reconciliation & First Communion next Wednesday, September 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Again, this is an informational meeting for Pre-K & K of what is to come, but is MANDATORY for the Parents & Students of Grades 1 & 2 to discuss the current year.
- --We have several parish family students who have not yet been registered for this year's classes. Please make every effort to pre-register your child(ren) so that we can be fully prepared with materials, etc. Registration forms can be found on our website and in the back of the church or the offices. If you have a student new to our program (or would like more information in general) please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

**Pro-Life Adoration:** this Thursday, September 5, from 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the church. Come spend some time with our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

**First Friday & Saturday of the month – September 6 & 7:** Friday's Mass is at 6:00 p.m. with a time of Adoration, our 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.

All visitors and parishioners are invited for our **Saturday Parish Potluck** next Saturday, September 7. We will meet in the PAC Bldg after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and appreciate the Charles & Jennifer Marquis family for hosting. Bring your favorite dish and/or dessert to share, which can be dropped off at the PAC before Mass. Hope to see you there for good food and fellowship!

St. Mary's Church in Taylor invites everyone for their **Fall Festival & Homecoming Celebration** next Sunday, September 8. BBQ Brisket & Chicken meal served from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. for \$10/plate – dine-in or drive-thru. Live music, live & silent auctions, games ... lots of family fun! **Please note:** their festival used to be held at the KC Hall, but will now be held at their church/school grounds at 408 Washburn St, Taylor.

Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes begin next week, on Tuesday, September 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg! There is plenty of room for all who want to attend, so please reach out to us if you are an adult who would like to join the Catholic Church, or who is Catholic, but needs to receive Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, etc. We also welcome adult Catholics who would like to learn more about their faith in general. For more information or to register, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or httdre@yahoo.com).

If you are a parish Catechist or Catholic school teacher, etc, and need certification classes – or are a Catholic just wanting to learn more about your faith - the **Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith Program** offers a general introduction to the theological principles found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Topics Include: Introduction to Scripture; Creed; Liturgy and Christian Morality; Prayer and Spirituality. There is a one-time fee of \$50 for materials, etc. **We are offering this program here, at Holy Trinity** (in the PAC Bldg), on the following Saturdays: September 21, October 19, November 16, December 21 and January 25, each one from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (For certification purposes, each of the five segments offers 6 clock hours of instruction and, if you are not able to attend all of the classes here, you can make up those missed at another location for credit.) For all information, questions, or to register, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

#### Dear friends in Christ,

I believe all schools have now resumed their classes for this new school year. Please pray for all the children and teachers. Whether they are at Catholic Schools or other private or public schools, the children and teachers need our fervent prayers.

Gentle reminder: As we all know it is still very hot. Please remember that we should always dress our best for the Lord. Anyone over the age of 6 really should not be wearing shorts to Mass. Let us dress appropriately for the banquet of the Lord.

As our Parish Bazaar approaches, I ask that you pray about volunteering to work at the Bazaar. We have many parishioners who do not work and we need their help. Please consider volunteering for Bingo or one of the other areas listed on the sign-up sheet.

Today's readings speak to us about the virtue of humility, about being a humble person. There are many people we can look at in the history of the Church who are great examples of a humble person. However, there is one story in particular which shows us two sides to what it means to be humble.

One of the most moving and dramatic scenes from the memorable movie of the life of St. Francis of Assisi by Franco Zeffirelli, "Brother Sun, Sister Moon," comes when Francis is led into the audience hall of the Pope. Surrounded by the comfort and splendor of the papal court, and the distant figure of the Pope at the top of the ascending stairway, Francis began to recite passages from the gospels. He talked about the need to have simplicity and trust in God, rather than in power or wealth.

The attendants to the Pope saw this as subversion and rushed to throw Francis out, dragging him from the Pope's presence. But over the objection of his attendants, the Pope asked them to bring Francis to him and asks Francis what he wanted. Francis expressed his bewilderment at the rich surroundings of the papal court. He asked the Holy Father for an explanation. The Pope saw in Francis a sanctity born of simplicity. In his gleaming white garments, the Pope descended the stairway, and came face-to-face with a grimy and tattered Francis. The Pope then fell on his knees and kissed the mud-caked feet of Francis.

This scene captures not only the essence of the gospel virtue of humility in the life of Francis, but also in the life of Pope Innocent III. We all know of the humility of Francis, but sometimes we tend to overlook the humility of Pope Innocent III. One important quality of a humble person is that they recognize the gifts they have received from God and that they use them in their service to our Lord. Our Blessed Mother Mary recognized how she was blessed by God and she sang His praises in the Magnificat. Innocent III also recognized how he had been blessed by God with many gifts and talents such as wisdom, knowledge, and the ability to organize. He used all these to help build up the Church, to organize the College of Cardinals and their duties, to help formulate Canon Law and to clarify the office of the Pope as the Vicar of Christ, the head of the Church. He is known as one of the greatest Popes, but he could not have done this if he were not a humble man, much different than Francis of Assisi, but still living the virtue of humility in his life.

In our culture today, much emphasis is placed on one's position or status. At our more formal occasions involving heads of state and dignitaries or even at weddings and similar events, there is a concern for the proper manner in which to seat people. Acceptance of one's role in such circumstances, especially when you're not used to being treated like a dignitary, requires humility. Ignoring proper protocol could result in someone's humiliation. In today's gospel, Jesus rebukes the Pharisees. He is not rebuking them for their culture or table etiquette, Jesus is rebuking them because of their arrogance and pride. They sought to be at the head of the table and the first in line. They believed themselves to be better than everyone else.

In the Christian tradition, humility is not a weakened state of mind that robs the individual of his or her dignity or esteem. It is, rather, the gentle acceptance of reality, a true understanding of our relation with God, and the recognition that we are not the center of the universe. It seems that too many people believe that the universe revolves around them. Only they and their feelings are important. However, humility is an internal disposition of service, the idea that all human beings are valued and worthy of service by virtue of their having been created in the image and likeness of God. This kind of disposition of service is only enabled by a reliance on the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Let us call upon the Holy Spirit to help us be a humble people in service to our Lord and to one another.

**K** úvaze: A ejhle, tak přece jen Ježíš "radil", že máme sedět vzadu: a proto správně to dělají všichni ti, kdo v kostele sedí pravidelně... co nejvíc vzadu. Však je to znamení pokory, ne?

Nemusíme dlouho přemýšlet, aby nám došlo, že toto neměl Ježíš na mysli. Jeho poučení určitě není především míněno jako rada společenského chování (přesněji řečeno křesťanského společenského chování), ale jako rada správného postoje vůči druhým a posléze vůči Bohu. Bylo by trochu zavádějící označit tento postoj jako pokoru: to by nás mohlo snadno svádět k postoji hrbaté pokory, pokory pouze "naoko". Lépe bychom to mohli označit jako ne-sebestřednost. Nesebestředný člověk nestaví do středu své vlastní já. Nestaví do středu pozornosti své "ego", a to ne ze stydlivosti či nedostatku asertivity, ale protože ani ve svých vlastních očích není "středem světa" jeho Já. Proto nemusí toužit, aby jím byl v očích druhých. Ježíš osvobozuje člověka od sebestřednosti, od křečovitého hledání uznání a prestiže, od vychvalování sebe, pomocí kterého chce dotyčný "dobře vypadat".

Evangelium mě jednoduše nabádá k tomu, abych smýšlel o sobě střízlivě: a to nejen tehdy, když budu pozvaný na významnou společenskou událost... A toto pravdivé a střízlivé smýšlení o sobě mi dovolí, abych zapomínal na sebe a viděl druhé, jejich hodnotu, jejich klady. (Pastorace.cz)

**22do Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** Las lecturas de hoy nos invitan a meditar en la virtud de la humildad. La humildad es reconocer la verdad sobre quienes somos ante Dios. Es la virtud que nos ayuda a reconocernos a nosotros mismos como criaturas que son limitadas, dependientes y necesitadas ante nuestro Dios. La virtud también nos ayuda a identificar a los pobres que están intimamente conscientes de su dependencia y necesidad ¿Qué puede usted hacer esta semana para interactuar con alguien viviendo en la pobreza para aprender sobre humildad de él/ella?

May all of you have a most blessed and safe Labor Day.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář



Our annual Bazaar is just two short weeks away and we are still in need of some help, items, etc, so please see all of the information below. For any questions, or more details, don't hesitate to contact the parish office! God bless!

On Sunday, September 15, we will host our annual BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg. Adults \$10 / Children \$5 (adult plate drive-thru from 11 am – 12:30 pm). We will have a full day of eats, treats and family fun, including homemade kolaches for sale, live polka music during the meal, cake walk, children's games, bingo, silent & live auctions and a raffle drawing! BBQ by the Pound at the Pit from 8 am – noon. Hamburgers sold inside at 2:30 pm. Invite your friends & family! (Sweets for the dessert table will be very much appreciated and should be brought to the PAC the morning of the Bazaar.)

**RAFFLE:** We appreciate your willingness and efforts to continue to sell Raffle tickets to your family, neighbors, coworkers, etc! Ticket stubs & money can be turned in each weekend at Mass at the Raffle table ...or you can mail/take them to the parish office. You can also pick up extra raffle books at the weekend Masses or get them during the week from the parish office or Janet Havelka (512-517-8895).

**If you would like to make a monetary donation** to help offset the cost of groceries, supplies, etc, Bazaar Donation envelopes are available by the bulletins. All donations, no matter the size, are very much appreciated!

**KJZT Family Life Society #15 - Corn Hill will sponsor the Kolache Booth.** Bakers can pick up containers at the church entrance. Questions...call or leave message: Barbara Danek at 512-746-2015 or Janice Tucker at 512-635-9347.

We have several fun events in the afternoon and items / prizes are needed. Please see the donation suggestions below:

- **Live Auction** NEW & Unused items valued at \$25 or more. Contact Jacqueline Danek for all Live Auction information (512-423-2598).
- **Silent Auction** NEW & Unused items religious articles, homemade goods, crafts, candles, plants, small tool & garden sets, lotion/bath sets, etc.
- **Bingo Prizes** NEW & Unused items valued at <u>\$5 or more</u> coffee, sugar, snacks, candy, laundry and/or dish detergents, etc.
- **Toy Walk Prizes** NEW & Unused items valued at <u>\$5 or more</u> stuffed animals, Barbies/dolls, tractors, trucks, crafts, Legos, board games, etc.
- Ring Toss Game 2 liter sodas (any brand / any flavor) we need 200 and currently only have 60
- Cake Walk cakes ONLY (bring to PAC the morning of the Bazaar)

#### ALL ITEMS CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE PAC. WHICH IS OPEN AFTER MASS EACH WEEKEND UNTIL THE EVENT.

If you need/want to bring them during the week, they can be dropped off at the parish office during regular hours (Tuesday – Friday, 9 am – 3 pm). They may also be brought to the PAC on Saturday, September 14, during the set-up time of 9 am – 3 pm. **THANK YOU!** 

#### PLEASE VOLUNTEER! All parishioners – new and seasoned – are welcome and encouraged to share their time & talents!

There are still workers needed for a few areas – especially in Bingo - and sign-up sheets for them are located in the foyer of the church. We will also need volunteers to come help set up on Friday, September 13, mid-afternoon 'til evening (supper provided) and on Saturday, September 14, from 9 am – noon. Please also mark your calendars for Clean-Up on Monday, September 16, at 8 am! And, again, for any questions, don't hesitate to contact the office.

Many hands make light work and we thank you for, and very much appreciate, all that you do for your parish!