HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, A.D. 2019

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 14	5:00 PM	Confraternity of Christian Mothers Mark & Mary Lacher & family
Sunday	Sept 15	8:30 AM	†Louis & Agnes Straka †Jacques Brousseau
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Monday	Sept 16	7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	Sept 17	6:00 PM	†Paul Chevalier †Doris Nesrsta
Wednesday	Sept 18	6:30 PM	†Norma Klaus †LeRoy Tschoerner
Thursday	Sept 19	7:00 AM	†Jerry David †Jackie Albert
Friday	Sept 20	6:00 PM	†Greg Maney Marian & Bill Feltes family
Saturday	Sept 21	7:30 AM	†Helen Marie Kreitz
Saturday	Sept 21	5:00 PM	Virgil Tonn (for healing) Dorothy Klepac & family
Sunday	Sept 22	8:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of Catholic Life Insurance, Branch 50 †Charles Jones
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Eucharistic Altar are placed in memory of the Fojtik, Vrana, Sherek, Bonkowski & Skrhak families. All other flowers are placed in honor of all of our parishioners, past and present, as we celebrate our 130th year as a parish.

Last Week's Collection(s)

September 8: Weekly Collection: \$3,722.82 Online Donations: \$652.75

Rosary for Life

September 15 – 21: Louis & Louise Straka September 22 – 28: Helen Havelka

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

September 15 – 21: Chris & Sora Garlasco September 22 – 28: Keith Youngpeter

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Stanley Juranek** who died and was buried here this past Tuesday. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.



St. Matthew Apostle & Evangelist Feast Day ~ September 21

🕆 Fr. Stephen Nesrsta 🕆

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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

Wednesday, September 18, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Caleb Stefek, Sam Williams, Emma Fonville Lector: Zenner EMHC: Zenner Gift Bearers: Confirmation 2

Saturday, September 21, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: John & Maria Bruce, Nathan Klepac Lector: Jennifer Klepac EMHC: Patsy Hightower, Jim & Mary Margaret Heuertz Gift Bearers: Mike & Janine Nemec Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, September 22, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek Lector: Chris Stefek EMHC: Ray Nemec, James Nemec, Brandon Danek Gift Bearers: Richard & Lisa Danek Head Usher: A.J. Batla

Sunday, September 22, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, Jarrod & Isabella Hodgson Lector: Monica Sherek EMHC: Monica Sherek, Kelly Godfrey, Daniel Perez Gift Bearers: Daniel & Hilda Perez Head Usher: Bill Sherek

EMHC to Shut-ins: Sunday, September 22: Brandon Danek

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

🕈 PARISH BAZAAR 🕈

Welcome to Holy Trinity and thank you for joining us for our annual Parish Bazaar today (Sunday, September 15)!

We will host a BBQ & Fried Chicken Dinner from 11 am – 1 pm in the PAC Bldg (adult plate drive-thru from 11 am – 12:30 pm). Adults \$10 / Children \$5. We have a full day of eats, treats and family fun, including homemade kolaches for sale (\$6/half dozen), 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 in the PAC at 2:30. Fun for all ages!!

★ Raffle Tickets will be sold during the day with the drawing immediately after the Live Auction (need not be present to win). Tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10. (Parishioners: if you have tickets you weren't able to sell, please bring them back – to a raffle table – so that we can use them at the Bazaar. Thanks!)

★ We need – and very much appreciate – sweets for the meal's dessert table!

★ If you would like to donate for the groceries and other expenses of the Bazaar, 'Bazaar Donation' envelopes can be found on the bulletin tables. No donation is too small and all are very much appreciated!

<u>ATTENTION BAZAAR WORKERS!</u> IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR SUFFICIENT PARKING FOR OUR GUESTS AT THE BAZAAR ... IF YOU ARE WORKING ON THE DAY OF, WE ASK THAT YOU PLEASE PARK (UP ON THE HILL) BETWEEN THE PAC BLDG AND THE CEMETERY! THANK YOU!

Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes have begun. Next class is this Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Catholics & the Bible. For more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

Our CCE classes will begin this Wednesday, September 18! Class time is 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. All classes will attend the 6:30 p.m. Mass and parents are very much encouraged to stay and attend as well --- which provides a good example for your children! For questions or information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

***Please also join us on this evening, at the 6:30 p.m. Mass, in recognizing and praying for this year's Catechists and CCE program volunteers at our annual **Catechetical Celebration**. May the Holy Spirit guide them in teaching the children about our Lord and faith.

Our **Adult Faith Enrichment** classes will also begin this Wednesday, September 18, and all adults of the parish, especially the parents of our CCE students, are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will attend the 6:30 p.m. Mass and then gather in the PAC Bldg (until 8 p.m.). These classes offer basic Catholic faith information and discussion (i.e. sacraments, prayer, Rosary, etc), but do not replace RCIA classes for those interested in becoming Catholic, etc. Please contact Lucille D'Elia for questions or more information.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, September 19, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the church. Come spend some time with our Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

The first class of the **Basic Teachings of the Catholic Faith Program** will be held next Saturday, September 21, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. There's still room for attendees, so to sign-up or for more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com). (Five classes – one Saturday each month from Sept – Jan; one-time cost of \$50; bring your brown bag lunch.)

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Collection** next weekend, September 21/22. Your generosity allow us to provide the 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, September 22, in the RE Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Agenda items include: October's Austin DCCW Board meeting and the Parish Mission reception. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will gather in the front pews for Mass to lead the Rosary prayed beforehand.

St. Joseph's Church in Cyclone invites you to their **74th Annual Cyclone Picnic** next Sunday, September 22. Fried Chicken & Sausage meal served from 10:30 a.m. 'til....for \$10/plate. Live music by Jerry Haisler, games for the kids, Live Auction and more.

It's time for us to update our parish photo directory! We know everyone is busy with family life, kid's activities during the week, etc, but our directory won't be complete without you ... and family photos make great Christmas presents ... so please mark your calendars now for the week of November 5-9 photography dates (photos will be taken in the PAC Bldg). Watch the upcoming bulletins for more details on signing up, etc. Volunteers to help on the photography days will be appreciated and you can call the parish office for more information.

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. I would like to welcome all of our visitors with us today who are here to attend our parish bazaar. I hope all of you have a most blessed and enjoyable day. Thank you for coming to Holy Trinity Parish. We appreciate your presence here and your support.

This Saturday, September 21, at the 7:30 am Mass, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Matthew, one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. I encourage everyone who is able to attend as we honor St. Matthew for his faithfulness to Jesus and to His Church.

When was the last time that you lost something and you looked and looked everywhere for it until finally you found it. You probably felt a great sense of joy within you once you had found what you had lost. Finding something we had lost gives us a fresh joy, and we are happier at having found the lost object than we should have been had we never lost it. We take many things for granted until they are gone or can't be found.

Today's parable about the lost sheep and the lost silver piece are concerned more with divine tenderness and compassion than with human behavior, and they express a great truth. Humans are too greedy to give up things of value for love of something which may be inferior or of lesser value. However, God is much different. He was willing to sacrifice His own Son so that we could be saved. And we are definitely inferior to Jesus Christ.

Today's Gospel speaks of no earthly shepherd, but of a heavenly Shepherd. The Shepherd in today's gospel grieved over the loss of a single sheep as though the whole flock were no longer in safe keeping but had gone astray. The shepherd went after the lost one and searched for it, so that its recovery might make the flock complete again.

Peter Chrysologus who lived between the years 400 - 450 says that this may seem like a simple story but there is a hidden meaning to it. The man who owns the hundred sheep is Christ. He is the good shepherd, the loving shepherd, who in a single sheep, that is Adam, fashioned the whole flock of humankind. He put this sheep, Adam, in a place of rich pasture in the middle of paradise. However, Adam did not listen to the Shepherd's voice and instead trusted in the voice of the deadly wolf. He lost the protection of the sheepfold and was pierced by deadly wounds.

Because of Adam getting lost Christ came into the world to look for His lost sheep. He came in the body which He assumed by being born of Mary. He raised that body on the cross. He placed the lost sheep on His own shoulders by His passion. Then in the intense joy of the resurrection He brought it to its heavenly home. And He called his friends and neighbors, that is the angels, and said to them: Rejoice with me, for I have found the sheep that was lost.

The angels joined Christ in gladness and rejoicing at the return of the Lord's sheep. The reign of sin did not prevail over the death and resurrection of Jesus. Christ came to take us back to Himself. He came to call us back to Him so that we would not be lost. He has born us up to the glory of His divinity, let us bear Him in our bodies by holiness. That person bears God in his body whose bodily activities are free from sin. Just as St. Paul was dealt with mercifully, so will we be dealt with mercifully. All we have to do is to respond to the voice of our Lord and follow Him. We can begin by recognizing our sinfulness and going to confession. There will be joy and rejoicing in heaven by all the angels and saints because we were lost and now we are found. "To the King of ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, honor and glory forever and ever! Amen."

K úvaze: Člověk má co dělat, aby se odpoutal od hříchu a nedal se strhnout špatnými příležitostmi. A tady se mu najednou ještě radí, aby bral hříšníky do svého společenství! Není to nebezpečné? Je! Ale kde mají poznat hříšníci Boží dobrotu, Boží nabídku společenství, ne-li u těch, kdo z této dobroty a v tomto společenství žijí?

To, že Bůh sám nás hledá, chápe dost málo věřících. Mnozí mají tendenci doškemrávat se toho, aby si jich on všiml a jsou v tom pesimisty. Snad je to taky tím, že si mnozí bezděčně Boha identifikují se svým pozemským otcem, jehož lásku, náklonnost a hlavně odpuštění si museli (případně třeba vůbec nemohli!) zasloužit a získat. Ovšem do té míry, do jaké pochopíme, že Bůh sám nás hledá a zve už tady do svého společenství, do té míry snad budeme schopni zaujmout podobný postoj vůči hříšníkům, vůči "vyřazeným" dnešní doby. Ježíšem interpretovaný požadavek lásky k bližnímu není vlastně k uskutečnění moc lehký, ale víme, že je cestou, která vede k cíli. V Tertio millennio adveniente papež píše: "Bůh v Ježíši Kristu člověka nejen oslovuje, ale také hledá. Vtělení Syna Božího svědčí o tom, že Bůh člověka hledá." (odst. 7) (Pastorace.cz)

24to Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús proclama su amor pródigo por los pecadores. Dios es como un padre que espera el regreso del hijo perdido; como un pastor dispuesto a dejar a 99 ovejas para buscar una; como la mujer, insatisfecha con las nueve monedas que revuelve la casa para encontrar la moneda perdida. Podemos alejarnos de Dios, pero Dios nunca se alejará de nosotros. Dios, a cambio, nos invita a estar en comunidad con los otros, incluso con otros pecadores ¿Nos uniremos a la comunidad de Dios o la rechazaremos como el hermano mayor?

May all of you have a very blessed week.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

Holy Trinity Catholic Church Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 22, 2019

Call to Order with opening prayer and scripture reading

Members Present – John A. Valenta, Gina Vrabel, Mike Hovatter, Sora Garlasco, Kelly Godfrey, Stephanie Wright, Mary Margaret Heuertz and Helen Havelka.

Ex-officio Member Present – Fr. Stephen, Lucille D'Elia, Tommy Sladecek

Old Business:

1. Parish Mission – The dates for the 2019 Parish Mission are October 20-24.

• Hosting the Mission meals: Monday – Moravian Club

Tuesday – KJT Wednesday – CCE Thursday – CCM (closing reception afterwards)

2. Encountering Christ Capital Campaign – There is \$29,327.45 in the parish account to be used for the identified projects.

3. Long-Range Plan – The firm has compiled the statistical data, objectives and comments received from parishioners. Some additions/corrections were discussed. The committee will meet with them. The firm will prepare a list of recommendations and associated costs, and the plan could be completed by the end of the year.

4. Drive on North Side of Church – The project is pending completion of the long-range plan.

5. Parish Bazaar – September 15 – We are preparing for the event. Workers are still needed, and the lists of those slots can be found on the table in the foyer of the church.

6. Stewardship Fair – November 2/3 after each Mass – This is an opportunity for parishioners to learn more about the various ministries, committees and organizations in our parish. More information will be coming.

New Business:

1. Parish Council Selection in October – Nominations will be accepted and vetted. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Ministry/Committee Reports:

1. Social Ministry – Our parish continues to help those with various needs in our community. The Locker Project will begin soon.

2. Faith Formation Program – The CCE program is preparing for another year. So far 57 students have registered with more expected. Classes begin on Wednesday, September 18. "Basic Teaching for the Catholic Faith" sessions will begin in September, which are geared to help with the certification of our catechists, but are open to ALL adults. Classes will be held one Saturday a month – from September to January – in the PAC. Dates and times will be listed in the bulletin.

3. Cemetery – no report

Finance Council Report:

Tommy gave an overview of the current reports.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 17, 2019, at 7 p.m.