

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, A.D. 2019

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Oct 26	5:00 PM	†Merlene Turman Joe Flaherty
Sunday	Oct 27	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Paul Chevalier †John & Annie Valis
Tuesday	Oct 29	6:00 PM	†Helen Marie Kreitz †Sharon Parma
Wednesday	Oct 30	6:30 PM	Sr. Janet Kreber, OSF Sr. Theresa Jungers, OSF
Thursday	Oct 31	7:00 AM	†Parents of H&M Koch †Tommie Rose Martine
All Saints – Holy Day of Obligation			
Friday	Nov 1	7:00 AM	†Virginia McMaster †Helen Marie Kreitz
		12 Noon	†Toni Vanderloop †Bob Howe
		7:00 PM	Pro Populo (incense)
All Souls' Day			
Saturday	Nov 2	7:30 AM	Holy Father & All Souls
		11:00 AM	†All Souls (in Cemetery – weather permitting)
Saturday	Nov 2	5:00 PM	†John & Betty Emge †Sr. Delores Ulrich, OSF
Sunday	Nov 3	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Jackie Albert †LeRoy Tschoerner

Mass Ministry Reminders

Wednesday, October 30, 6:30 PM:
Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy S, Adelaide B
Lector: Adelaide Brousseau
EMHC: Kelly Godfrey
Gift Bearers: 5th Grade

All Souls – Saturday, November 2:
7:30 AM: Altar Servers: VOLUNTEERS
Lector: Cynthia Edgar
EMHC: Ray N, Ken Theisen, James N
11 AM in Cemetery (weather permitting):
Altar Servers: Thomas C, Carter M
Lector & EMHC: Janine Nemec

All Saints – Holy Day of Obligation
Friday, November 1:
7:00 AM: Altar Servers: VOLUNTEERS
Lector: Kelly Godfrey
EMHC: Ray Nemec, Johnny Martinka, Kelly G
Head Usher: Frank Knapek
12 Noon: Altar Servers: VOLUNTEERS
Lector: Zenner **EMHC:** Pete & Nancy Zenner
Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner
7:00 PM: Servers: Jakob, Caleb, Amy, Jenna
Lector: Becky Theisen (incense)
EMHC: Ken Theisen, Janine Nemec, Brandi B
Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta
Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

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Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:30 am
Reconciliation: Sat: 3:45–4:40 pm; Sun: 7:30–8:10 am;
& Wed: 5:30-6:10 pm (or by appt.)

Parish Contacts & Resources

Director of Faith Formation: Lucille D'Elia 737-215-1042
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Cemetery Information: Parish Office
Cemetery Director: Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301
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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)

Last Week's Collection(s)

October 13: Weekly Collection: \$4,238.00
World Missions: \$1,477.00

Rosary for Life

October 27 – November 2: Ron & Cathy Bindas
November 3 - 9: Frankie & Betty Ann Vrelab

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

October 27 – November 2: Josh & Steffani Jacobs family
November 3 – 9: Helen Havelka

Saturday, November 2, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Natalie M, Preston, Heather
Lector: Jennifer Klepac
EMHC: Patsy H, Jim & Mary Margaret H
Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta
Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner
Sunday, November 3, 8:30 AM:
Altar Servers: John & Jenna D, Lucas B
Lector: Chris Stefek
EMHC: Ray N, Johnny M, Cynthia E
Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec
Head Usher: Tommy Sladeczek
Sunday, November 3, 10:30 AM:
Altar Servers: Thomas C, Jarrod, Isabella
Lector: Kelly Godfrey
EMHC: Kelly Godfrey, Pete & Nancy Zenner
Gifts: Hodgson family **Head Usher:** Frank K
EMHC to Shut-ins: Sun, Nov 3: Ray Nemec

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Collection** this weekend (October 26/27). Your generosity allows 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 today (Sunday, October 27) in the RE bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Plans for the November Bake Sale will be finalized. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. Members will gather in the front pews for the 8:30 a.m. Mass to lead the Rosary prayed beforehand.

Everyone is invited to **Moravian Hall** for their **Fall Polka Social with Pork BBQ Dinner & Dance** today (Sunday, October 27). Dinner served from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. with Dance to follow (music by the Jodie Mikula Orchestra) from 1 – 5 p.m. Plates: Adults \$10 / Children \$5; Dance \$10; or Dinner & Dance Combo \$15.

SSCM Church in Granger invites everyone for their annual **Turkey & Dressing Dinner** (sponsored by the K.J.Z.T. St Helen's Society #18, Granger) today (Sunday, October 27). Serving begins at 11:00 a.m.; adults \$10 / children \$5. Adult plates available at the drive-thru from 11-12:30.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, October 29, at 7 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Topic of discussion: Jesus & the Paschal Mystery. For more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).

All Soul's Memorial Envelopes are available by the bulletins and **must be turned in by this Wednesday, October 30**. The names offered will be prayed for throughout the month of November.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, October 30, from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m. For questions or information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042).

ATTN: Parents of Sacrament 2 – First Reconciliation – Students: parent/student classes for First Reconciliation preparation will begin this Wednesday, October 30, during CCE. At least one parent of each student should attend these classes (total of 5 weeks). **We will meet in the RE bldg and then go to the PAC as a group.** Please contact Lucille D'Elia for questions. **Adult Faith Enrichment participants** are welcome to attend these classes.

Pro-Life Adoration in the church this Thursday, October 31, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Come and spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend, so don't forget to turn your clocks **BACK** an hour before you go to bed Saturday (November 2) night!

The **annual diocesan Catholic Services Appeal** will be conducted next weekend, November 2/3. Each year, our bishop asks every one of us to make a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries. By sharing the gifts God has granted us, we can work together to care for the Church. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue Christ's work of spirituality, charity and education.

Join us, after your usual weekend Mass, at our **Ministry Fair** in the PAC Bldg next weekend, **November 2/3**, to learn about all of the ministries within our parish – give us ideas of what we might add – and better understand how your participation and involvement in the spiritual life of our parish benefits both you and the Church! Questions can be directed to the parish office or Lucille D'Elia.

Zion Lutheran Church in Walburg will have their **48th Annual Wurstrbraten** on Monday, November 4. They will serve from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. Adults \$10 / Children \$6. Dine-in or drive-thru. Sausage also sold by the pound on Sunday, November 3, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Thank you for promoting the sanctity of LIFE by contributing to your BABY BANK throughout October. Please return your box next week in the designated baskets at the entrances of the church. The money given will benefit Pro-Life efforts in our parish and apostolates within our diocese.

If you haven't yet, please remember to turn in your Annual October Cemetery Dues. The contribution, per family, of at least \$20, can be turned in using a 'Cemetery Dues' envelope (located by the bulletins or in your contribution envelope box). As written in our Cemetery Policies & Procedures: *"Annual contributions of at least \$20 per family are collected each October for cemetery upkeep and maintenance. Failure to pay the annual upkeep fee will result in a parishioner being charged to be buried at HTC (\$1500 casket / \$250 urn); once an individual turns 18 years of age, even if they are still living in their parents' home, they are considered to be their own parish family and should, therefore, fulfill the responsibilities as any other parish family and pay the annual contribution to the HTC Cemetery Fund."*

There are still time slots available for directory photos...and several of our families have yet to schedule a session...so please sign up NOW as our directory wouldn't be complete without you! The week of photography is almost here - November 5-9! Visit our website, www.holytrinityofcornhill.org, click on the link provided on the home page and follow the prompts ... or you can contact the parish office during business hours, and we can sign you up as well. Please call the parish office for questions – and to volunteer to help with family sign-ins on the days of photography.

Choir practice for the Christmas Season will begin on Wednesday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Ronnie Simek (512-630-5074) for information.

The NEST Empowerment Center, at Georgetown High School, offers a safe haven for teens who are either homeless or living in at-risk situations, and provides support for their basic physical needs, as well as counseling and academic enrichment. As a loving parish that continually supports our surrounding communities, we ask for your consideration in providing items for the NEST so that they can continue to offer this much needed service to the children. Item suggestions include toiletries, food, school supplies, etc. The NEST's wish list can be found by the bulletins and at the entrances of the church. Donations can be dropped off in the designated box in the church through November 9/10. We appreciate, in advance, your participation and generosity! For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia.

Support our parish youth's attendance of the annual Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC) by purchasing your Christmas Cards and Gift Bags from them! You can get these items now at the CCE office or after our weekend Masses beginning November 9/10. Contact Lucille D'Elia for more information.

November is a month of thanksgiving – and we want to show our thanks and appreciation to ALL of our VOLUNTEERS – by inviting you to a **Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** on Sunday, November 17, at 5:00 p.m. in the PAC bldg. If you volunteer or participate in any activities here at our parish, sign-up you and your family for a catered chicken fried steak dinner – on us! Sign-up sheets are available in the foyer of the church and you need to do so by Sunday, November 10!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the parishioners who donated money to restore some of our vessels and to purchase a new cope and humeral veil, all at a cost of \$3,000. May God bless you for your generosity.



As you may know, October is Pro-Life Month and here at Holy Trinity there are a lot of exciting things on the horizon! At the heart of the Pro-Life movement is not only the protection of God's creation, but the dignity of every person. Beginning in November and moving forward there will be a tremendous number of opportunities to become involved not only with our pro-life group, but with other activities too! On November 21st, we will be sponsoring an informational talk on the Catholic approach to end of life issues. This is an area that presents a lot of confusion for Catholics. Is it ever OK to stop medical treatment? Are Catholics required to exhaust every and all available treatments? What is the Church's position on having a living will? Fr Joseph Daheim of St Helen in Georgetown will be here to answer those questions and many others. In addition to that, the Holy Trinity Pro-Life and Prayer Group will be sponsoring some terrific events in 2020 including powerful films on abortion and the assisted suicide movement that is rapidly spreading across the US. We are working with other parishes and the Knights of Columbus to sponsor a *world class speaker and film maker* (as seen on EWTN), and authority on assisted suicide. All of this is in addition to weekly Pro-Life Adoration, our after-Mass handouts like *Humanae Vitae*, or the Miraculous Medals, to our continuing support of the hospitality breakfast and picnic raffle. Your support of the Baby Bank campaign helps to support not only the diocesan pro-life office, but our ability to continue to fund outreach projects here at Holy Trinity.

Today in the United States, more than 50 million people call themselves Catholic. We are the largest Christian Faith in the country and in the world! **The Church is missionary by her very nature and evangelization is the Church's deepest identity** and evangelization is the responsibility of all Catholics. Unfortunately, like all Christian Churches, the numbers across the country are not looking good. Rampant secularism, materialism, general loss of faith, and confusion is sweeping the Western World. Here in America, research shows that the fastest growing segment of young Americans list "none" on their religious affiliation. It's no surprise that the proliferation of pornography, the breakdown of the family, the rise in drug legalized drug use, fornication, gay marriage, and religious persecution have been on the rise over the past fifty years. Not are these on the rise but often celebrated! On November 2nd and 3rd, we will be taking part with other parish groups in the Holy Trinity Ministry Fair. Imagine for a moment if just twenty percent of Catholics were actively involved in the ministries that support our faith! The world would be a better place for all of us. Please consider *your role* in the future of the Catholic Faith by joining us and the other parish groups at this important event.

Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! We had a wonderful Parish Mission this past week with Fr. Jewel Aytona. Thank you to everyone who responded to God's call to attend the Mission. Now let us all go forth and live what we have learned. Thank you to those who prepared the meals each day and the reception: Moravian Club, KJT, CCE, and the Confraternity of Christian Mothers. Thank you to our altar servers and anyone else who helped with the Mission. May God bless you in return.

Congratulations to Jaqueline Danek, Leo Bringman and Ken Loudermilk, who were selected and have accepted the call to serve on the Pastoral Council. Thank you to Pete Zenner, Johnny Valenta, Jr., and Gina Vrabel for their past three years of service. May God's blessings be upon them all for being willing servants of the Lord.

Friday, November 1, is the **Feast of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation**. Mass will be at 7:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm. Please be sure to attend Mass with your family. Saturday, November 2, is All Souls Day. We will have Mass at 7:30 am in the church and at 11:00 am in the Cemetery. Let us all come together and pray for your loved ones who have died. During the month of November, we pray for the souls in Purgatory, we pray for all those who have died and are on their way to Heaven. We pray that they may quickly pass through the purifying process in Purgatory and soon join the saints in Heaven. We do this because of what we read in Sacred Scripture in passages that pertain to the Church's teaching on Purgatory: Praying for and making an offering for the dead - 2 Maccabees 12:43-46; The need to make up for transgressions - Mt 5:25-26, Lk 12:58-59; nothing profane can enter heaven - Rev. 21:27; cleansing fire - 1 Cor 3:12-15; David, though forgiven, still punished for his sin - 2 Sam 12:13-14. Jesus paid the price for our sins in general, but we still must make up for the individual sins that we do. Let us pray that we can truly be one of those Holy Ones of God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable about the Pharisee and the tax collector who went to the temple to pray. The Pharisee, even though he said a prayer of thanksgiving, was only bragging to God that he was better than everyone else. The tax collector stayed further back and recognized his own sinfulness and asked God for mercy. The Gospel is a lesson of humility, a humility that is justifying and life-giving. When we come to church to pray, are we more like the Pharisee or the tax collector? In our day and time, many people are like the Pharisee. They are not able to admit that they are a sinner and they are too proud to go to Him seeking His mercy and forgiveness. This is really very sad because, if we are not able to admit to our sinfulness and ask for mercy now, we will not be able to do it at the time of our death and we will sentence ourselves to eternal damnation. Having a fear of hell is a good thing, as long as we do not become preoccupied with it. Having a sense of sin is a good thing also, as long as we do not become preoccupied with it. Even though we are sinners, we are still children of God, we are still a holy people and sacred beings. May we never forget the awesomeness of God's love for us and may we always have the humility to go and seek His love and His mercy.

K úvaze: Tento farizeus opravdu nejednal dobře jen na oko, dělal mnohem více, než se žádalo. Půst místo jednou do roka, dvakrát v týdnu (i od pití!) nebyl v horké Palestině ničím lehkým. Desátky dával i z toho, co nemusel. Jeho náboženství ho opravdu něco stálo. A jeho děkování Bohu, že není jako ostatní - není to též naše občasné, a v lecčems i oprávněná modlitba? Nemá člověk opravdu Bohu za vše děkovat?

Jistě, samotný způsob vedení života farizeje nemůže být z pozice Písma kritizován. Ale podobenství je řečeno těm, kteří ?si na sobě zakládali ...a ostatními pohrdali?. Tady je bod, kde jsme zrovna tak zranitelní i my a to tím více, čím méně křesťanské a spravedlivé je naše okolí a čím větší je naše snaha po dobrém životě křesťanství. Milovat Boha a milovat současně ty, kdo ho nemilují, to je těžký úkol. Snažit se o? velký životní výkon? a nepohrdat těmi, kteří se v této věci jeví jako břídilové - to je dost obtížné. Ale toto všechno v síle Ducha je možné. Křesťan musí dobře vědět, že jedná-li dobře, jedná v síle toho Zastávce (parakleta), ne, že jen sklízí plody svého ?tréninku? a úsilí. A pro ty, kdo se právě před Bohem cítí bidně, kdo mají ?zlomené srdce?, jejichž situace je bezvýchodná, protože zabředli do zla, z něhož nemají sílu vyběhnout, zamotali si života tak, že jej nelze plně ?rozmotat?, pro ty všechny nese toto podobenství neuvěřitelnou zvěst o rozsahu Božího milosrdenství. Je tu jen jedna podmínka: že hříšník sebe vidí a sebe před Bohem staví jako skutečného hříšníka, že tedy zůstává v pravdě a nedělá z hříchu ctnost, ze sebe oběť, neobrací Boží zákon naruby jen proto, aby vyšel sám ve světle tohoto obráceného zákona dobře. (Pastorace.cz)

Trigésimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: El Evangelio de hoy es la famosa parábola del Fariseo y el Publicano o recaudador de impuestos. Lo que el Fariseo no podía ver y el Publicano sí podía, fue que toda la bondad y toda la gracia vienen de Dios! El Publicano con humildad pedía la misericordia de Dios mientras que el Fariseo pensaba que sus buenas acciones lo justificaban ante Él. El bien que hacemos es la gracia de Dios trabajando en nosotros y lo hacemos con humildad y gratitud por el amor de Dios. ¿Qué buenas obras puede usted hacer esta semana que darán testimonio del amor, la gracia y la misericordia de Dios en su vida?

Have a blessed week and don't forget to pray with your family.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

**Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 17, 2019**

Call to Order with opening prayer and scripture reading

Members Present – Pete Zenner, 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

Guests Present: 2

Old Business:

Parish Mission – The Parish Mission is October 20-24. All members were encouraged to attend.

Encountering Christ Capital Campaign – There is \$36,872.15 in the parish account.

Long-Range Plan – The firm is finalizing the plan with a list of recommendations and associated costs. The plan could be completed by the end of the year.

Parish Bazaar – The report will be included in the weekend bulletin. The event netted over \$83,000, which is very close to last year's total. Father is thankful for the work of the entire parish on this event.

Ministry Fair – Nov. 2/3 – This is an opportunity for parishioners to learn more about the various ministries, committees and organizations in our parish. There will be a light meal served in the PAC after each Mass.

New Business:

Holy Day/Holiday Schedule – The list of Masses and Penance Service has been included in the bulletin.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – Our parish is blessed with so many dedicated volunteers. To show our appreciation, a dinner will be planned for 5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 17. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Ministry/Committee Reports:

Social Ministry – The Nest, a program supporting Georgetown ISD students, is under way. The KJT will sponsor the food drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Faith Formation Program – The RCIA program has 4 candidates. CCE program is under way. "Catholicism – the Pivotal Players" is being considered for our next parish bible study. The details will be announced in the bulletin.

Cemetery – A workday is scheduled for 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 26.

Finance Council Report:

No report

Other Business Presented:

--It was announced that Fr. Stephen will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of his ordination on June 3, 2020. The council will work with Father to host an event, possibly on May 31.

--Members Pete Zenner, John Valenta and Gina Vrabel were thanked for their service on the council.

Executive Session – Parish Council Selections

Next Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 19, 2019 at 7 p.m.