

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 1	5:00 PM	†Kenneth Beene
Sunday	Feb 2	8:30 AM	†Fr. Michal Jadavan
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo The Intentions of the Donors to Armor of God Radio
Tuesday	Feb 4	6:00 PM	Craig & Krystle †Mary Conlee
Wednesday	Feb 5	6:30 PM	†Helen Marie Kreitz †Raymond & Florence Robichau
Thursday	Feb 6	7:00 AM	†Don Rivera †Henry & Angeline Dillard
Friday	Feb 7	6:00 PM	†Richard Danek †Msgr. Emilián Foltyn
Saturday	Feb 8	7:30 AM	Marshall, Brielle & Connor Cooke †Msgr. Gideon Stram
Saturday	Feb 8	5:00 PM	Virgil & Marla Tonn (for healing) †Leslie K. Shaw
Sunday	Feb 9	8:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of Catholic Life Insurance #50
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

Altar Flowers

The flowers with Our Blessed Mother and with St. Joseph are placed in loving memory of **Fred & Barbara Palousek** and are donated by Mary Dale Putegnat.

Last Week's Collection(s)

January 26: Weekly Collection: \$4,368.00
Online Donations: \$ 266.95
Faith Formation: \$1,275.00

Rosary for Life

February 2 – 8: Lupe & Brandi Bernal family
February 9 – 15: Chris & Sora Garlasco

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

February 2 – 8: Josh & Steffani Jacobs family
February 9 – 15: Helen Havelka

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



St. Blaise - Bishop & Martyr – February 3 –

Blaise of Sebaste was a physician and bishop of Sebastea in historical Armenia who is venerated as a Christian saint and martyr. Blaise is venerated as a saint in the Roman Catholic, Eastern Orthodox, and Oriental Orthodox churches and is the patron saint of wool combers and throat disease.

† Fr. Stephen Nestrsta †

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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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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, February 5, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Jenna Danek, Samuel Williams, Preston S
Lector: Lupe Bernal
EMHC: Janine Nemecek
Gift Bearers: Confirmation 1

Saturday, February 8, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather Snook
Lector: Lupe Bernal
EMHC: Jennifer Klepac, Brandi Bernal, Keith Youngpeter
Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta
Head Usher: Howard Mertink

Sunday, February 9, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek, Adelaide Brousseau
Lector: Zenner
EMHC: Pete & Nancy Zenner, Ray Nemecek
Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemecek
Head Usher: Matt Mertink

Sunday, February 9, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas C, William Fonville, Martin Ortiz
Lector: Duane Blakeslee
EMHC: Duane & Gwen Blakeslee, Daniel Perez
Gift Bearers: Clawson family
Head Usher: Frank Knappek

EMHC to Shut-ins: February 9: Ray Nemecek

In Memoriam: We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Mary (Zurovetz) Tschoerner** who passed away. Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. (Rosary at the Gabriels on Sunday, February 2, at 3 pm; Funeral here on Monday, February 3, at 10 am.)

Please pray for the youth of our parish who are attending the annual Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC) in Waco this weekend. May their hearts and minds be open to the message of Christ and His love for us and may their spirit of faith be renewed.

All visitors and parishioners are invited for **Hospitality Sunday** today (Sunday, February 2) in the PAC Bldg immediately after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate the Charles & Jennifer Marquis family for preparing the breakfast.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, February 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Holy Order (Priesthood/Diaconate). For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, February 5, from 6:15 – 8 pm. For questions or information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042). We can always use more volunteers in the program and would very much appreciate any parents who can stay and help! You do have to be EIM certified, but that is a very easy process, and you can contact Lucille D'Elia for information. Thank you.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, February 6, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Spend some time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Our **Pro-Life Group will meet** this Thursday, February 6. They will begin with a Rosary for Life in the church at 6:30 p.m. and then continue the meeting in the RE Bldg. Everyone is invited to both the Rosary and the meeting.

First Friday of the Month, February 7: Mass is at 6:00 p.m. ending with the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Benediction.

Call for Altar Servers / Altar Server Practice / Altar Server Appreciation Supper:

--For those interested in becoming an Altar Server (4th grade and up, with the appropriate sacraments), we will have an **Altar Server Practice** next **Sunday, February 9**, at 4:00 p.m. in the church. Contact the parish office to sign-up or for more information.

--For our current Altar Servers – the practice on Sunday, February 9, is for you, too, so please make every effort to attend.

--After practice, all new and current Altar Servers and their families are invited to the PAC Bldg for our annual **Altar Server Appreciation Supper**. **Please RSVP by this Wednesday, February 5**, to the parish office to give us a head count of the meal.

KJT Society #28, Granger, will be having their **annual Pork Steak Dinner** next Sunday, February 9, at 11:00 a.m. in their parish hall. The proceeds (along with a matching grant from the KJT Home Office) will be donated to the Church of the Visitation in Westphalia for the rebuilding of their church and in memory of Msgr. Ed Rabroker and Deacon John Thornton. They both served SSCM for many years and were from that parish. Plates will be \$10 each (drive-thru will be available from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.).

The Georgetown/Round Rock Deanery Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will meet next Thursday, February 13, here in the PAC Bldg. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with the business meeting at 10:00 a.m. All ladies are welcome and encouraged to attend as they share in fellowship and carry out the mission of the National Council of Catholic Women. You may call Linda Montreuil (512-864-2451) for questions or further information.

Bishop Brendan Cahill, of the Diocese of Victoria, will celebrate a Mass at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 14, in the historic church of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Dubina, Texas, on the Feast Day of the church's patrons. The Bishop will be joined by priests affiliated with the Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas (CCFT) and three visiting priests from the Czech Republic. Everyone is invited to attend the Mass and reception that will follow in the parish hall. The church is located at 3438 FM 1383, west of Weimar, Texas. The Mass will be one of thanksgiving for the faith brought to Texas by Czech immigrants and will include the blessing of the newly founded Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas (CCFT). For more information on the CCFT, visit www.czechcatholicfoundation.org.

Join us for our annual **Czech Mass** on Sunday, February 16, at 5:00 p.m., as we celebrate the Feast Day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, patron saints of the Czech Republic and patron saint of Slavic peoples. All prayers, readings and hymns will be in the Czech language. After Mass, a dinner will be served in the PAC Bldg for those who attend the Mass. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate this special feast day of Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY to the HOLY LAND – on an 11-day experience with Fr. John Jamnicky, October 15-26, 2020. Destinations include Tel Aviv, Jaffa, Nazareth, Cana, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Masada, the Dead Sea and much more. For more information, contact Eileen at 860-399-1785 or Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com. Flyers are also available in the foyer of the church.

We welcome all of our visitors and appreciate you being here! If you are interested in joining our parish family, we invite you to complete and return a **Parish Registration Form** ([yellow] forms located by the bulletins or from our website). And, if you are a current parishioner and have had any address, phone #, etc., changes, please let the office know so that our records are up-to-date.

We are also always in need of more Mass ministers (Altar Servers, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Head Ushers, Gift Bearers). If you would like to volunteer for one or more of these, or would like more information, please contact the parish office.

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord be with you all. Thank you to all who helped with the Fundraiser last Sunday. Thank you to the cooks, cook helpers, cashiers, money counters, sweet sellers, silent auction workers, plate and trash gatherers, and to everyone who helped set up and clean up. All of you are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone who came to the meeting about the Long-Range Plan for our parish. I thought we had a wonderful turnout and many good questions were asked. We will now move forward in working with the Diocese of Austin, the Long Range Plan Committee of our Parish, and with our Finance and Pastoral Councils. It is an exciting time as we grow and meet the upcoming challenges of our Parish.

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. We will have the blessing of candles at Mass. You may bring candles to be blessed on this day and put them on the table that will be near the altar.

Monday, February 3, is the feast of St. Blaise. St. Blaise was a bishop in Sebaste in Armenia in the late 200's and early 300's. He was a very holy man. He was known for working several miracles to save the lives of people. One miracle was when he saved a boy from choking on a fish bone. No one could get the bone out but Blaise was able to save the boy's life. On the feast of St. Blaise, it is our tradition to bless the throats of the faithful. We will have the blessings of throats this weekend, February 1/2, at the end of Mass.

As we read and listen to Sacred Scripture from week to week our image of Jesus changes from a newborn baby to a fully-grown man, the son of a carpenter. Scripture reveals to us the Son of God who came to bring salvation to all people. Simeon tells us that Jesus will be a controversial figure who would change the world, and that his mother's heart would be pierced over His life and death.

Who is Jesus for each of you? Simeon and Anna saw this young child being presented to God by His parents and they recognized Him as the Savior of the world. We believe that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life, and that we have been called to follow Him. In baptism, we are dedicated to the Lord to be His follower. We must decide if we will stay safely by the manger or risk challenging the world as we follow the way of the cross. How well are we preparing for His Second Coming?

In today's first reading, Malachi spoke of the coming of the Lord and when He would present Himself in the temple. We, too, speak about the coming of God. We should concern ourselves, though not to the extreme, about that moment, because, when it happens, we will have to face the sword of judgment -- the sword that will separate those who have been serious in the faith from those who have not.

We can look at just the church we sit in and the grounds that surround us to discover a truth about ourselves. Are we like the people with whom Malachi was frustrated with, who refused to tithe and support the temple? Do our buildings represent the power and majesty of God, or have we scrimped to save a dollar? Do our grounds speak of a "holy of holies"? Have we, as supporters of our parish, "robbed God" by withholding our tithe?

Every day we are tempted to choose what we want rather than what God wants for us and of us. We are tempted to scrimp. Our buildings and our financial support are not the center of our faith and salvation, but the quality of them are symbolic of where our choice for God lies. Hebrews tells us to pay attention to the priesthood of Jesus, the example of Jesus' sacrifice, so that we can be helped to overcome the temptation to give God our leftovers instead of our first fruits.

Today we are being reminded that God presents Himself to us daily, and we must be looking. Once we begin to see God in our lives, we are expected to respond. A sword waits to separate those who choose to respond with their best from those who choose to hold back and scrimp.

The life of faith is not always easy: "This child is destined for the fall and the rise of many..." When the "thoughts of many hearts may be revealed" by the sword, what will people see in our hearts? What do they see now? Are we enough like the two faithful Jewish parents who take faith seriously enough to make a return to the Lord of what we hold dear? Or do we hold back keeping all for ourselves not giving God our tithe, God's fair share? What is your response to the Lord? Think about it.

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Když se narodí děťátko, mnozí se nad ním rozplývají radostí. Je krásné a něžné. Často se však rodiče v duchu ptají: Co z něj bude? Bude dobrým člověkem? Stejně tomu bylo i u Ježíše. Ten je označen jako světlo národů. Jde o nadsázku? Zdá se však, že toto slovo je proroctvím s plnou vahou tohoto slova! Naše zapálené svíce jako by jen dokumentovaly Simeonova slova: Kristus je Světlem pro všechny bez rozdílu. I dnes, ba právě dnes! Je světlem i pro nás, naši rodinu, naši zemi. (Vira.cz)

Festividad de la Presentación del Señor: Hoy hemos celebrado la festividad de la Presentación del Señor, que observamos 40 días después de Navidad. Simeón y Ana dan la bienvenida a Jesús en el templo, tanto sabiendo como proclamando que Él es el Mesías. Continuemos dando la bienvenida a Cristo en nuestros corazones y en nuestros hogares mientras servimos y oramos por aquellos menos afortunados. ¡Que Cristo sea nuestra luz!

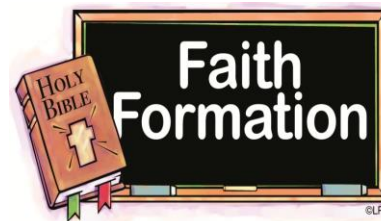
May all of you have a most blessed week being the light of Christ to everyone you meet.

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Faith Formation News

February 2020



Our teens, led by the Confirmation classes, once again decorated our church for the Christmas season and they did a wonderful job. The church really looked beautiful. Afterwards Jennifer Marquis and her parents, Billy and Belinda Beyer, treated all of us to a delicious meal served in the Holy Family Room, which had been transformed into a Christmas wonderland. We thank them for that very special treat. Then, on January 12, the same teens took down the decorations and prepared the church for Ordinary Time. On that day, Monica and Bill Sherek served up a great taco bar lunch followed by ice cream sundaes, and we thank them for preparing and serving our hungry helpers. Many thanks to all who helped decorate and un-decorate our church. They all worked so tirelessly to make the parish look especially beautiful during this holy time.

After a well-deserved holiday break, the CCE students returned to class and went back to work right away. Our Confirmation students did a great job in presenting their Saint projects to the younger students. Our Confirmation catechist, Kelly Godfrey, had the students all prepare a project on the Saint they have chosen for Confirmation. The presentations took all forms, from a computer program, beautiful posters, informative reports and even a hands-on St. Joseph project with Lincoln Logs (which the first grade class really enjoyed!). Confirmation is only a few short months away, so please pray for our candidates as they enter the final stages of their preparation for this very special Sacrament.

Meanwhile, over in the PAC, the high school students, led by Chris and Sora Garlaso, had the students on teams and they were competing to see which group was most knowledgeable about their faith. When the prize is food, the teenage competition gets tough! I think all of them are winners though!

Beginning in the fall, a very dedicated group of our catechists embarked on a faith formation journey of their own. They attended a five course training session led by the Diocese, which is the next step for these catechists to become fully certified. What a truly wonderful thing it is when a very busy group of people not only volunteer on Wednesday evenings but give up Saturdays to learn even more ways to help lead the children in their faith. We, here at Holy Trinity, are truly blessed to have these terrific people in our parish!



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CCE SCHEDULE

Wed. Feb. 5:

6:30 Mass / 7:00 Class

Wed. Feb. 12:

6:30 Mass / 7:00 Class

Wed. Feb. 19:

NO MASS / 6:30 Class

Wed. Feb. 26:

ASH WEDNESDAY

NO CCE CLASSES

**PLEASE ATTEND MASS
WITH YOUR FAMILY**



**Faith Formation
is not just for
children. Our
adult RCIA Class
is working hard**

**and learning more about the
Catholic faith. They, with the
support of their sponsors, are
journeying towards becoming
members of the Catholic
Church and/or the reception of
the Sacraments at our Easter
Vigil. Please continue to pray
for them. If you would like
more information about RCIA
or how to learn more about our
faith, please contact the Faith
Formation office.**

RCIA CLASS SCHEDULE:

Tues, Feb. 4: Holy Orders
Tues, Feb. 11: Consecrated Life
Tues, Feb. 18: Prayer
Tues, Feb. 25: Evening of
Reflection in church