HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

First Sunday of Lent March 1, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 29	5:00 PM	†Jerry David †Robert & Crecencia Hernandez
Sunday	March 1	8:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of K.J.Z.T. #15 St. Agnes Society †Joe & Wilma Zgarba
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	March 3	6:00 PM	†Virginia & William McMaster †Rosemary Waltman
Wednesday	March 4	7:00 AM	†Rosie Vrana
Thursday	March 5	7:00 AM	†Helen Marie Kreitz †Frank & Anastasia Knapek
Friday	March 6	6:00 PM	†Stanley Havelka †Deborah Griffin & family
Saturday	March 7	7:30 AM	Craig & Krystle
Saturday	March 7	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	March 8	8:30 AM	†Richard Danek Larry Janousek, Jr (for healing)
		10:30 AM	Roxane & Dustin Templin (10 th Wedding Anniversary) Jax and Jensyn Templin

Altar Flowers

No flowers needed during the Season of Lent.

Last Week's Collection(s)

February 23: Weekly Collection: \$4,261.00

Online Donations: \$ 308.15 Faith Formation: \$1,403.00

Rosary for Life

March 1 – 7: Josh & Steffani Jacobs family March 8 – 14: Chris & Sora Garlasco

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

March 1 – 7: Louis & Louise Straka
March 8 – 14: Louis & Agnes Brousseau family

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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



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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: 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
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: Stephanie Wright 512-868-8514

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 512-819-4362
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

Stations of the Cross:

Wednesday, March 4, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Jenna Danek, Samuel Williams, Preston S

Saturday, March 7, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Nathan & Lucas Klepac, Natalie Mason

Lector: Lupe Bernal

EMHC: Brandi Bernal, Patsy Hightower, Fred Mullenbach

Gift Bearers: John & Kathleen Valenta Head Usher: Howard Mertink

Sunday, March 8, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: John & Jenna Danek, Shelby Hutchinson

Lector: Zenner

EMHC: Pete & Nancy Zenner, Brandon Danek

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

Sunday, March 8, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Thomas Clawson, William Fonville, Abby H

Lector: Becky Theisen

EMHC: Daniel Perez, Ken Theisen (+ ONE VOLUNTEER)

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

EMHC to Shut-ins: March 8: Brandon Danek

In order to help keep us healthy, the diocese has asked that, during the flu season, we implement the following:

- 1. Remove holy water from all fonts 2. Receive Holy Communion only in the hand
 - 3. Discontinue offering the Blood of Christ 4. Discontinue the Sign of Peace

Parish Directory Update: we have sent in our 4th and final proof of the directory, so they will be printing very soon! Sorry for the wait and we appreciate your patience.

We are in need of 2 Money Counters! Duties include counting the weekly collection, once a month on a set weekend, and occasionally for special collections when needed. We currently need a counter for the 1st Sunday and a counter for the 4th Sunday. You must be EIM Certified, which is an easy process, so please don't let it discourage you. For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact the parish office.

During the Lenten season, help to support missionary efforts in and outside of the Diocese of Austin by participating in the **Ashes to Easter** program. Pick up a box from the bulletin tables and place it in a prominent place in your home where you will remember to pray daily for the missions and drop in your spare change. You will then return your boxes at Easter. Thank you, in advance, for your participation and generosity.

SSCM Church in Granger invites you to their **Annual RE Enchilada Dinner & Raffle Fundraiser** today (Sunday, March 1) in their parish hall. Serving begins at 11:00 a.m. Adult plates \$9 / Children \$5. A la carte options and prices available as well.

Please Note: We will not have **Hospitality Sunday** in March. If there are any individuals, families, or organizations that would like to volunteer to share in the responsibilities of this, or any other parish social event, please contact the parish office.

Our monthly **Senior Citizens' Supper** will be held this Monday, March 2. We appreciate the Moravian Club for preparing the meal.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, March 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: The Mystery of Suffering. For information, contact Lucille D'Elia.

CCE: Classes this Wednesday, March 4, from 6:15 – 8 pm. For information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042). NOTE: due to the various school district schedules for Spring Break, we will not have classes on the Wednesdays of March 11 or 18. Families are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross together on these nights. Classes will resume on Wednesday, March 25.

Join us this Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for **Stations of the Cross** to reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the Cross.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, March 5, from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Take time, during this Lenten season, to spend more time in prayer with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

Our **Pro-Life Group will meet** this Thursday, March 5. They will begin with a Rosary for Life at 6:30 p.m. in the church and then continue the meeting in the RE Bldg. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend both the Rosary and the meeting.

First Friday & Saturday of the month – March 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.



Elite Medical Imaging will be here next Saturday, March 7 (in RE Bldg), to provide our annual **Preventive Ultrasound Health Screening**. Ultrasound screenings are painless, non-invasive and contain no radiation. Eight preventive screenings will be offered: carotid artery, abdominal aorta, thyroid, liver, spleen, gallbladder and both kidneys. These screenings are not typically done at physician's visits or at annual check-ups, nor will insurance companies pay for them, unless you are symptomatic. Screenings will be offered to you for \$49 each or the full preventive package (all

8 areas) for just \$150.00! Flex spending accounts may be used, and all other forms of payment are accepted the day of the screening. A representative will be here this weekend (Feb 29/Mar 1) for appointment registration and to answer questions. However, you may call beforehand to schedule your preferred appointment at 713-568-8331. Appointments are required.

Take a journey of grace, hope, repentance and transformation this Lenten Season with a (no cost) 10-part video series filmed in the Holy Land, featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka, from 8:45 a.m. – noon on (Saturdays) March 7, 21, 28 and April 4. For more information and to register, please contact Mary Geil at mgeil58g@gmail.com or 512-576-7371.

The **Pastoral Council will meet** on Thursday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. All parishioners are invited to attend and the agenda is posted on the bulletin board for your information and preparation.

All men are invited for an ACTS retreat, at the Jarrell Cursillo Retreat Center, April 23-26. The Retreat's goals are to allow an opportunity for men to focus on their faith and its application in their daily lives, to build purpose in their prayer life, to increase their presence at the liturgy, and to cultivate friendship among members of the church community. Round trip transportation is available and financial difficulties should not prevent anyone from attending. For more information on this and the retreat, please contact: Sam Ramirez: 512-869-9578; Alex Ramirez: 512-966-5538; or David Ramirez: 254-702-6362.

During the Season of Lent, it is important that we reconcile ourselves with one another, and with God! Please take the time for you and your family to go to Confession ... that your hearts, souls and minds will be ready for the Sacrifice and Resurrection of our Lord. The following are several opportunities for Confession in our area:

SSCM, Granger: Sun, March 1, 6 PM; St. Mary, Taylor: Mon, March 23, 7 PM; St. John Vianney, RR: Tues, March 24, 7 PM;

St. Elizabeth, Pflugerville: Wed, March 25, 7 PM; Our Lady of Guadalupe, Taylor: Thurs, March 26, 7 PM;

Holy Trinity, Corn Hill: Sun, March 29, 5 PM; St. Patrick, Hutto: Tues, March 31, 6 PM; St. William, RR: Wed, April 1, 7 PM;

St. Helen, Georgetown: Thurs, April 2, 7 PM; St. William, RR: Mon, April 6, 1 – 6 PM

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. Thank you to all who sent me birthday cards and wishes. May God's blessings be with you.

This past week we began the holy season of Lent. Lent is a forty-day period of time before the Easter Triduum in which we prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord at Easter. During the Lenten season, we, as Catholics, pray the Stations of the Cross every week as we meditate on Jesus being arrested in the Garden, brought before Pilate, scourged, crowned with thorns, carrying His cross, being crucified and then buried. By meditating on these last events of Jesus' life, we come to have a greater appreciation of the Resurrection of our Lord from the dead so that we can truly celebrate Easter with abundant joy. Please join us every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. to pray and reflect upon the Stations of the Cross.

As we live the Season of Lent, we may want to see how this holy season can strengthen our family life. Think of ways in which you can celebrate this season as a family...i.e., pray together at home as a family, attend Mass on the weekend and, when possible, during the week as a family, attend Stations of the Cross, read the Bible together as a family, go to confession together as a family, come as a family on Thursdays for a period of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration. I am sure there are many things you can do as a family to make this season more meaningful to you. Every good Catholic will do everything possible to help them and their family to grow in faith and in their relationship with our Lord Jesus. Every good Catholic will try to attend Mass every weekend and will try to attend Stations of the Cross to help their family to grow in union with Christ and with His Catholic Church. Let us all support one another in faithfully living our faith.

In today's first and second readings, we hear how sin came into the world through Adam and Eve in their act of disobedience to God. Ever since then, we have struggled with being obedient to God. We struggle to keep His Commandments. As today's Psalm 51 says, we cry out to God, "Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned." We continually fall into sin and seek God's mercy and forgiveness.

There are ways that God has given us so that we can avoid giving in to the temptation of sin. In today's Gospel, we heard how Jesus was in the desert for forty days spending time in prayer and fasting. Even though He was strong spiritually, since He is the Son of God, Jesus still needed to discipline his human body so that it would be strengthened against the temptations of the flesh. As we heard in the Gospel, Jesus was tempted by the devil and He resisted those temptations. These forty days of Lent are meant to help us be strengthened spiritually and physically to that we can be prepared for everything that the devil might throw at us in ways of temptation. May we respond to Jesus' invitation and do all that He asks us to do so that we are prepared for all that awaits us in life.

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Vstupujeme do vzácného, posvátného času. Cílem postní doby je otevření nového pohledu, podobně jako při výstupu na vysokou horu. Možná to stojí určité přemáhání se, jde však o exercicie uprostřed běžného života. Ježíš v podobném procesu na poušti zakusil útok ducha Zla. Démon je velmi lstivý a útočí mnohem hlouběji, než se na první pohled jeví. Proto je třeba se Zlem nevést žádný dialog. Ježíš odmítá nabídky ďábla tím, že cituje Písmo, slovo nebeského Otce. (Vira.cz)

Primer Domingo de Cuaresma: Comenzamos la temporada de Cuaresma con Jesús yendo al desierto. Necesitamos seguirlo en el desierto del ayuno, la oración y la abstención para poder aprender de nuevo el modo de vida convenido que viene con nuestro bautismo. Ahora es el momento de dejar las distracciones. Ahora es el tiempo de recordar y reverenciar nuestra propia dignidad y la vida y dignidad de cada persona como amada del Señor. Ahora es el tiempo de dejar de lado cualquier cosa que nos distraiga de nuestra verdadera hambre y sed de Dios y su convenio de amor con toda la humanidad ¿Cuál es el ayuno que Dios desea de todos nosotros para esta Cuaresma?

May the Lord bless you all with a spiritually renewing Season of Lent.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

HOLY TRINITY FAITH FORMATION Lent 2020

Lent is a wonderful Liturgical season and it provides many "teachable" moments for all of our students. All grades will attend Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings and then return to their classrooms for some very special lessons. The younger grades will be working on very creative Lenten crafts and some of the middle grades will be watching our brand new Brother Francis "Stations of the Cross" DVD. Even though we will not have class for two Wednesday evenings in March, our students will have learned a lot about this special season and will truly be ready to celebrate Easter.

Being able to have Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings is truly a blessing. All families should do their best to attend each Wednesday whether we have class or not. If you would like to attend as a family on class nights, please feel free to do so. Afterward please bring your child(ren) to the RE building for class.

This month our Confirmation students will attend a Retreat with their sponsors the day before Confirmation. This allows the student and their sponsor to spend extra time focusing on this most holy Sacrament. Father James Misko will be here on March 22nd to celebrate the Sacrament at the 10:30 AM Mass. Please continue to pray for our students.



Our current RCIA Class continues to journey towards reception of the Sacraments at our Easter Vigil. Please continue to pray for them. Although formal classes begin for RCIA in September, there is no need to wait until then. If the Holy Spirit is calling you to find out more about your faith or even explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic, please contact our Faith Formation office. We will be happy to work with you starting today!

RCIA SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

March 3 – The Mystery of Suffering

March 10 - Prayer & Holy Spirit

March 17 - Catholic Moral Teachings Part I March 24 - Catholic Moral Teachings Part II

March 31 – Explanation of Holy Week

Faith Formation Office

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CCE SCHEDULE

Wed. March 4th 6:30 Stations of the Cross 7:00 Class

Wed. March 11th NO CLASS – SPRING BREAK

Wed. March 18th NO CLASS – SPRING BREAK

Saturday March 21st 9 AM Confirmation Retreat

Sunday March 22nd 10:30 AM Confirmation

Wed. March 25th 6:30 Stations of the Cross 7:00 Class

Wed. April 1st 6:30 Stations of the Cross 7:00 Class



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS - SATURDAY, JUNE 13th - WHERE WE WILL GO "BACK TO THE BARNYARD" FOR <u>BARNYARD</u> ROUNDUP PART II. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THIS WONDERFUL, FUN DAY, PLEASE CONTACT THE FAITH FORMATION OFFICE.