

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 3, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	May 2	Private (5 PM)	Pro Populo
Sunday	May 3	Private (8:30 AM)	Larry Janousek (for healing) †Kelly Kalinec
		Private (10:30 AM)	†Frances B. Kajs †Charles Valenta
Tuesday	May 5	6:00 PM	†Rosemary Schindler †Fr. Greg Romanski
Wednesday	May 6	6:30 PM	†Norman Dobias †Fr. Paul Nemeč
Thursday	May 7	7:00 AM	Kyle Emge & family †Lafe & Hattie Christian
Friday	May 8	6:00 PM	†Robert & Leona Brenek †Paul Chevalier
Saturday	May 9	7:30 AM	Marshall, Brielle & Connor Cooke †Henry & Angelina Dillard
Saturday	May 9	5:00 PM	†Rosemary Waltman †Johnnie Simek
		7:00 PM	Lauren Buchhorn (for healing) Richard Buchhorn (for healing)
Sunday	May 10	6:30 AM	†Larry Dean †Jerry Kryshak
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Louis Palousek †William Harding †Edward Havelka, Sr.

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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 Sladeczek 512-635-3496

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Pro-Life Prayer Group: Chris Garlasco 860-689-3021

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Knights of Columbus: Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemeč 254-527-3615

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CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemeč 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)

April 26: Weekly: \$4,622.00

Online Giving: \$1,097.50

Faith Formation: \$416.00

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of **Richard Yates** (uncle to Diana Hovatter of our parish family) who died this past week. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Beginning Tuesday, May 5, Masses will be re-opened to the public with stipulations. In order to keep social distancing and occupancy at the mandated levels, we have implemented some barriers within the church building and have added 2 more weekend Masses (see schedule above). We appreciate you maintaining a 6 ft social distance from your neighbor (families can sit together) and keeping an empty pew in between (as are currently roped off). Seating is obviously going to be limited right now, so if you come into the church and all the available seating is taken, we apologize and ask for your understanding. Our ushers will be available to try to accommodate as many people as possible at each Mass.

We also ask that you please wear a mask while inside the church building and use the provided hand sanitizer. Please know that you are all welcome at Mass, but we encourage those who are 'at or over 65 years of age' or have compromised immune systems or underlying health conditions to either use extra precaution if attending, or simply continue to stay at home for a while longer (and continue to watch our Masses on our Facebook page – as they will still be live streamed until further notice). A dispensation continues for those who are unable to attend Mass during this time.

A letter (from both the diocese and from us) has been mailed to all parishioners explaining the details. Please continue to watch our website and Facebook page for updates and please share this information with your fellow parishioners.

Parish Office Schedule (for May 4 – 22): **open** Wednesday - Friday, from 9 am – 3 pm.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2020 – this Sunday, May 3: Join us for an online Vocations Holy Hour at 5 pm: Due to the Coronavirus Shelter in Place, the Austin Diocese will livestream this Holy Hour on its website and Facebook page. Together, we'll spend an hour in adoration of our Lord, asking for His graces to be poured out into the hearts of those discerning their vocation and for a stronger culture of vocations in our diocese. Fr. Jonathan Raia, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Austin, will preside at this Holy Hour that will be streamed from the St. Charles Borromeo House of Discernment. Visit <https://godiscalling.me/>

RCIA: We are happy to bring back our RCIA class and we have scheduled the rest of the classes through the month of May. This week the topic will be Catholic Moral Teachings. Please continue to pray for our candidates as they prepare to receive their Sacraments.

Pro-Life Adoration: we will resume our normal Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays beginning this Thursday, May 7, at the usual 3 pm – 9 pm. Those of you who have faithfully attended our Thursday Adoration are asked to resume your normal schedule.

Our **Clerical Endowment Fund Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Drive will be held by appointment only.** Please call Janine Nemec (512-289-9242) to enroll your loved ones, living or deceased.

We will have our annual June Fundraiser – CURRENTLY DRIVE-THRU ONLY – on Sunday, June 7. Our meal of Corn Hill Fried Chicken & Sausage with homemade dressing, noodles and all the trimmings, will be sold for \$10/plate from 11 am – 1 pm. (No afternoon dance this year.) Please pass the word along to your family & friends!

Mass Ministry Schedule for May 5 – 10:

Tuesday, May 5, 6:00 pm

Lector - Louis Brousseau
Altar Servers - Brousseaus

Wednesday, May 6, 6:30 pm

Lector - Lupe Bernal
Altar Server - Natalie Mason

Thursday, May 7, 7:00 am

Lector - Janine Nemec
Altar Servers - Leo Bringman

Friday - May 8, 6:00 pm

Lector - Kelly Godfrey
Altar Server - Leo Bringman

Saturday, May 9, 7:30 am

Lector - Nancy Zenner
Altar Servers - Pete Zenner

Saturday, May 9, 5:00 pm

Lector - Janine Nemec
Altar Servers - Natalie M, Nathan/Lucas
EMHC – Jennifer Klepac
Usher – Stephanie Wright

Saturday, May 9, 7:00 pm

Lector – Louis Brousseau
Altar Servers – Brousseaus (3)
EMHC – Patsy Hightower
Usher – Donald Tschoerner

Sunday, May 10, 6:30 am

Lector – Monica Sherek
Altar Servers – John & Jenna Danek
EMHC - James Nemec
Usher – Frank Knappek

Sunday, May 10, 8:30 am

Lector – Chris Stefek
Altar Servers - Carter, Amy and Caleb
EMHC - Ray Nemec
Usher – Tommy Sladeczek

Sunday, May 11, 10:30 am

Lector - Lupe Bernal
Altar Servers - Jakob, Thomas, Jarrod
EMHC - Brandi Bernal
Usher – Jeff Voigt

Prayer for help in times of crises is imperative and is very powerful. Please consider adding this one to your daily prayer routine:

Prayer to St. Joseph in time of pandemic

Protect, O Holy Guardian, this our nation. Enlighten those responsible for the common good, so that they might know — like you do — how to care for those entrusted to their responsibility. Grant intelligence of knowledge to those seeking adequate means for the health and physical well-being of their brothers and sisters. Sustain those who are spending themselves for those in need, even at the cost of their own safety: volunteers, nurses, doctors who are on the front lines in curing the sick. Bless, O St Joseph, the Church: beginning with her ministers, make her the sign and instrument of your light and your goodness. Accompany, O St Joseph, our families: with your prayerful silence, create harmony between parents and their children, in a special way with the youngest. Preserve the elderly from loneliness: grant that no one might be left in desperation from abandonment and discouragement. Comfort those who are the most frail, encourage those who falter, intercede for the poor. With the Virgin Mother, beg the Lord to liberate the world from every form of pandemic.
Amen.

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. Here we are in this beautiful month of May. May is always a month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday, May 13, is the memorial of Our Lady of Fatima. I recommend, that if all is open and back to normal, that you try to attend Mass on this day. We will let you know if this will be possible or not. Be sure to pray the rosary either alone or with your family during the month of May. The Blessed Mother appeared to three children, Lúcia Santos and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Marto, in Fatima, Portugal. She appeared to them between May 13 and October 13 in 1917. At the last apparition on October 13 the "Miracle of the Sun" occurred. A huge crowd, which some estimated to be about 100,000 people, including newspaper reporters and photographers, gathered at Cova da Iria. There had been a heavy rain that finally ceased and there was a thin layer of cloud. Lucia, seeing light rising from the lady's hands and the sun appearing as a silver disk, called out, "Look at the sun". Witnesses spoke of the sun changing colors and rotating like a wheel. Witnesses gave varying descriptions of the sun's dance. Poet Afonso Lopes Vieira and schoolteacher Delfina Lopes (with her pupils and other witnesses in the town of Alburita), reported that the solar phenomenon was visible up to 25 miles away. This miracle was reported in newspapers around the world. This is one of the most remembered apparitions and maybe one of the most controversial as many people continue to discuss, and even argue about, what Mary said to the children. However, that is not what is important. What is important is that we know that the Most Holy Trinity and the Blessed Virgin Mary are with us and so we should never have anything to fear. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us.

During the last few weeks work has been ongoing on the road that goes through the cemetery. As you are reading this most of the work should be completed. They have been pouring concrete almost every day for two weeks. When the road is finished, they will do the necessary moving of dirt next to the road so that it is all even and no drop offs. This project is a great improvement to the beauty of the cemetery, and I believe it is a great tribute to those buried there and a testament of our faith. Thank you for those who have contributed to this project. May God bless you all for your generosity and for your care of Holy Trinity Cemetery.

Jesus says in today's gospel: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." Jesus wants all of us to have the fullness of life. We can have this abundance by remaining faithful and by having a close relationship with our Lord. So many people cheat themselves out of having an abundant life because they go after things in this world that will only satisfy them temporarily and that many times will leave them feeling empty, worthless, and alone. With Jesus there is no need to feel this way. He alone can satisfy our every desire. Turn to Him and allow Him to be your Shepherd, guiding you to the abundant waters that lead to eternal life. Sometimes the abundant life has challenges. Jesus never said that following Him would be easy. Jesus did not come to this earth to make us feel good, nor did He establish His Church to make us feel good. Jesus came to die for us and to give us the opportunity to share in eternal life. In order for us to have the abundant life we must live as Jesus lived, turning away from the temptations of sin and always choosing to do the Will of our heavenly Father, even though it may not be easy. Jesus, as our Shepherd, will lead us and guide us on how this may be accomplished in our life. Shut out voices from your life that are not the voice of Jesus. Listen to His Word and to His Church. Be obedient to Him and the abundant life will be yours.

K úvaze: Jsou křesťané takové hloupé ovce? Bez rozumu? Na první poslech by evangelium takový dojem vzbudit mohlo a, navíc, mohlo by i trochu odradit: kdo by chtěl vypadat jako "ovce"? Už Mussolini pronesl výrok, že je lepší žít jeden den jako lev než sto dní jako ovce. Jenže ovce z evangelia nejsou zrovna ty hloupé, ale ty "důvtipné", protože našly cestičku k životu. Vědí, že bez Krista není možné dojít k pastvinám skýtajícím potravu.

Onen dobrý pastýř nevolá a nevede k pastvinám "stádo" anonymních ovcí. Každého volá jménem, každého jinak, zcela osobně - tím nejvlastnějším a nejdůvěrnějším jménem. Toto zcela osobní volání prozrazuje, že má s každým z nás jedinečný vztah. Ví o tom, kde se každý z nás nachází a vábí, přitahuje k sobě "provázky lidské něžnosti, provázky milování" (Oz 11,4).

Poslouchat hlas pastýře, jít za ním... to můžeme jen tehdy, když považujeme Krista za dobrého pastýře. Ba co víc: za pastýře věrného, který vede i v temném údolí životní krize, v temném údolí skleslosti a celkového vyčerpání. V temném údolí beznadějně situace. Kristus má moc vyvádět i z takových míst a přivádět k dobrým pastvinám, svěžím, s bohatě prostřeným stolem (Ž 23,5), kde jsou "tučná jídla s morkem a kalich s přetékajícím vybraným vínem" (srv. Iz 25,6).

Být lvem znamená být bez Krista, bez života. Být ovcí znamená společenství s Kristem, přetékající život.

Cuarto Domingo de Pascua: En este domingo, nuestro Señor Resucitado es reconocido como el Buen Pastor que nos protege y nos cuida. Al ser quienes reciben el cuidado de Dios, necesitamos darnos cuenta de las palabras de Pedro a la gente de Jerusalén, las cuales están dirigidas a nosotros también – nosotros también debemos reformar y adoptar una nueva manera de vivir si deseamos ser parte del redil de Cristo. Esa nueva manera de vivir es llevar el cuidado y la misericordia de Dios a los pobres, los vulnerables, los olvidados y abandonados a través de nuestras relaciones con ellos.

Please check our website often each week as we will be posting changes to our Mass schedule and to the number of people who will be able to attend Mass on weekdays and weekends and what the new rules will be as we begin offering public Masses once again. Hopefully, we will soon be back together as a community of faith worshipping our God and receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion.

May all of you have a most blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

May you continue to experience the blessings of the Easter Season. Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

Mother's Day - Every Week

--Mickey Addison

Next Sunday, May 10, we will celebrate Mother's Day! On that day, we'll call to mind the women who gave us life and honor them in some special way. Around the country, these little honors will vary in as many ways as there are people. There will be flowers picked from the garden and expensive bouquets, homemade pancakes and 5 course meals, and tender embraces from children of all ages. There will be some mothers celebrating the return of a child this day, and there will be others who are mourning. But every Saturday of every week is also Mother's Day because in both East and West, each Saturday is devoted to the Blessed Mother in a special way. It is, in a very true sense, "Mother's Day."

Like so much in the Church, the devotion of honoring our Lady on Saturday is a way of living out the Scriptures in the life of the Church. In this simple devotion, we attest to the truth of the Gospel and worship with our lives. Honoring the Holy Mother of God on each Saturday has ancient roots, beginning formally in Rome in approximately 352 A.D., but following a tradition that was ancient even in that early time. Tradition held that only our Lady believed during the dark Saturday between Jesus' death and His resurrection on Sunday. A popular legend of the time held that He even appeared to her on that Holy Saturday.

In any event, Saturday devotion to Mary makes sense in the Scriptural sense, as she is the Morning Star. Just as the Morning Star precedes the dawn, and Saturday precedes Sunday, so Mary preceded our Lord. What's more, as the only human parent of Jesus, He took His entire humanity from her. She is the New Eve, the Mother of all the Living, and therefore our mother as well.

So, it is right and fitting to show her affection and honor; she becomes our mother when Jesus Christ becomes our Lord.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church illuminates this motherhood and her role in our relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ: "This motherhood of Mary in the order of grace continues uninterruptedly from the consent which she loyally gave at the Annunciation and which she sustained without wavering beneath the cross, until the eternal fulfillment of all the elect. Taken up to heaven she did not lay aside this saving office but by her manifold intercession continues to bring us the gifts of eternal salvation. . . Therefore, the Blessed Virgin is invoked in the Church under the titles of Advocate, Helper, Benefactress, and Mediatrix." (#969)

St Louis de Montfort understood this connection between surrender to Jesus Christ and devotion to His mother. His book, *True Devotion to Mary*, has changed thousands of lives by teaching Christians that to be devoted to the Blessed Mother is to be near to Jesus. John Paul the Great even remarked how the book and the devotion changed his entire life. He took his papal motto from the devotion, *Totus Tuus*, "All Yours".

As for me, well, I can attest that the closer I have become to the Holy Mother of God through devotion to her in the rosary, the more deeply I have come to love our Lord. The one person who is closest to Jesus in the Universe is His mother, so to be near to her is to be near to Jesus. I believe that my love for the Sacraments of the Church and my desire for Holy Communion stem from the prayers of the Blessed Mother and my devotion to her.

This Saturday offers us a unique opportunity to reflect on Mary's motherhood, the gift of our own mothers, and the gift of the *True Devotion*. Let's not pass up the chance to develop a closer friendship with our Mother.

Prayer to the Mother of Our Lord, for all mothers

Mary, on this day when we honor all mothers, we turn to you. We thank the Lord whom you serve for the great gift of motherhood. Never has it been known that anyone who sought your intercession was left unaided by grace. Dear Mother, thank you for your "Yes" to the invitation of the angel which brought heaven to earth and changed human history. You opened yourself to God's word and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.

Dear mother, intercede for all our mothers. Ask your Divine Son to give them the grace of surrendered love so that they could join with you in giving their own "Fiat." May they find daily strength to say yes to the call to the sacrificial love- the very heart of the vocation of motherhood. May their love and witness be a source of great inspiration for all of us called to follow your Son.

On this Mother's Day, Mother of the Word Incarnate, pray for us who have recourse to you. Amen.