

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	July 11	5:00 PM	†Joe Hoes Virgil Tonn (for healing) Barney & Dorothy Walther (50 th Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday	July 12	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Greg Maney Leslie & Linda Allen (43 rd Wedding Anniversary)
Tuesday	July 14	7:00 AM	Lauren Buchhorn (for healing) Richard Buchhorn (for healing)
Wednesday	July 15	6:30 PM	†LeRoy Tschoerner †Annie Janish
Thursday	July 16	7:00 AM	†John & Betty Emge †Tony & Dolores Sladeczek
Friday	July 17	6:00 PM	†Richard Danek †Joe Janosec
Saturday	July 18	7:30 AM	†William & Virginia McMaster †Rosemary Waltman
Saturday	July 18	5:00 PM	†Jeffrey Waltman-Gomez †Jerry David
Sunday	July 19	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Frances B. Kajs †Bill Klepac

Mass Ministry Schedule for July 14-19

Tuesday, July 14, 7:00 am:

Lector: Janine Nemec

Altar Servers: Leo Bringman

Wednesday, July 15, 6:30 pm:

Lector: Lupe Bernal

Altar Server: Natalie Mason

Thursday, July 16, 7:00 am:

Lector: Janine Nemec

Altar Servers: Leo Bringman

Friday, July 17, 6:00 pm:

Lector: Lupe Bernal

Altar Server: Jakob Voigt

Saturday, July 18, 7:30 am:

Lector: Nancy Zenner

Altar Servers: Pete Zenner

Saturday, July 18, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Natalie M, Preston & Heather

Lector: Lupe Bernal

EMHC: Brandi Bernal

Head Usher: Donald Tschoerner

✠ Fr. Stephen Nesrsta ✠

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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

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

Knights of Columbus: Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624

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 Sladeczek 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)

Last Week's Collection(s)

June 28: Weekly: \$3,447.00 / Online Giving: \$2,219.42

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Tabernacle, with our Blessed Mother and with St. Joseph, are all placed in honor of **Barney & Dorothy Walther in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.** Congratulations!

WE ASK THAT ALL WHO ATTEND MASS WEAR A MASK / FACE COVERING FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL PRESENT!

Due to everyone's generous donations towards, and attendance of, our June Fundraiser, our profit was \$8,279.65!

Rural Life Mass – Tuesday, July 14, at 6:00 p.m. – St. Mary of the Visitation in Lockhart. Join the Austin Diocese Council of Catholic Women (ADCCW) to honor farmers and ranchers at this annual diocesan celebration. The ADCCW will acknowledge the work of a priest and a layperson for their contribution to the rural life community and present Bishop Vasquez with their annual contribution to the seminary education fund.

Pro-Life Adoration: this Thursday, July 16, from 3 – 9 p.m. Come and spend some time with the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Banns of Marriage are announced, for the first time, for Keith Zimmerhanzel and Stephanie Fojtik, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony here on Saturday, July 25.

As good Christians, we can, and must, fight against the evils rampant in the world today. There IS a heavenly remedy: prayer and penance! The 2000 HAIL MARYS Day of Prayer and Petitions will be offered here in the church on Tuesday, July 28, starting with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 7:00 a.m. and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The prayer program will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will continue until the program's consecrations, litanies, and Hail Marys have been offered, along with the program's petitions and your own personal petitions. The Day of Prayer will conclude at approximately 7:00 p.m. with Benediction. This is a come-and-go event and snacks will be available. O Holy Mother of God, Help of Christians, pray for us! For more information, visit: www.2000hailmarys.org, or call Rose Elsom at 512-869-1071.

EIM WORKSHOP (during pandemic) - EIM Policies require all clergy, religious, seminarians, employees and adult volunteers serving in a ministry requiring EIM compliance to submit an EIM Application for Ministry (one-time only) and attend an EIM Workshop at least once every three years. No new EIM Applications are being accepted/submitted during this time of COVID-19 and all in-person EIM Workshops have been postponed. However, the **EIM Office has created a Temporary Online EIM Training to fulfill the compliance requirement for those who already have an EIM account and are due or past due to attend an EIM Workshop.** Go to www.austindiocese.org/workshop to complete the temporary online EIM training. For more information, call (512) 949-2447.

EIM & Our Ministers/Volunteers: we do have several Mass ministers and volunteers that are due for an EIM Refresher this year – most within July! As you see in the announcement above, you will need to do it online right now. If you already know your due date, please go ahead and take the initiative to complete the online refresher. Otherwise, look for an email from the parish office soon with instructions, etc.

Catholic Charities of Central Texas is here to help during this time of financial stress. We offer financial stability services to help prevent homelessness and achieve financial security through case management, education, and emergency financial assistance. For more information, call (512) 651-6100 (Austin) or (979) 822-9340 (Brazos Valley).

Catholic Social Teaching Corner: July 11/12 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time: This Sunday, we hear the familiar story of the sower and the seed. In the end, this parable is about abundance. God makes the seed bear fruit many times over. Mother Teresa once said, "If you cannot feed 100 people, feed just one." If we are fruitful recipients of the Word of God, how much will God multiply that good in the world? How does God's word move us to share abundantly through a simple gesture of offering a package of crackers to the homeless or bringing food to a local pantry?

Would you like to make a private retreat with Franciscan Father Albert Haase in the privacy of your own home? Are you willing to commit to 20 minutes of prayer for five days? Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center is now offering "My Private Retreat." Every day (Mon-Fri) you will have a 30-minute private Skype conversation with Fr. Haase, chaplain of Cedarbrake. This retreat can be helpful in discerning the next step in life, if you are struggling with a personal issue, or want to simply deepen your relationship with Jesus. Register at www.cedarbrake.org and then call the office at (254) 780-2436 to set up a time.

July 14 – Feast Day of St. Kateri Tekakwitha - the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Kateri was known as a skilled worker...diligent and patient. At age 19, Kateri converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her parents and neighbors. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal. Kateri was very devout and was known for her steadfast devotion, but she was very sickly. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680. Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord be with you all. Congratulations to all of those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this past Wednesday. May you always call upon the Holy Spirit in your life of faith so that you are filled with the wisdom needed to make good decisions and choices in all matters of life. Blessings to you all.

Usually in this week's note I announce to you the names of the transitional deacons from the Czech Republic, now known as Czechia, that come to stay with us during the summer. However, due to the Coronavirus and the cancelation of flights from Europe to the USA, they will not be able to be here this year. Two of them have scheduled to now come at the end of February 2021. The other two are still waiting to hear from their diocese as to when they will be able to visit. This is the first time in 22 years that the Czech deacons/seminarians will not be staying with me during the summer. It all seems very strange!!! Let us all pray that this virus ends soon and that we will have a vaccine to help protect us from it.

In today's Gospel we hear the parable of the sower and the seed. Have you ever thought about what type of soil you are? Is your heart solid as rock, filled with arrogance and pride, so that when God's Word is sown upon you it only rolls right off and doesn't do anything? When we think we know everything and know better than God and His Church we are like the hardened path or the rocky soil where the seed falls, maybe it sprouts, but it soon withers and dies because it does not have anywhere to take root. Or, maybe our hearts are filled with thorns that choke off the Word of God. This happens when we mingle with the wrong people who could care less about God and His Commandments and we soon get overtaken by the thorns of evil and sin. This also happens when we let things like drugs, alcohol, internet, cell phones and certain relationships control us. God asks that we be like rich, fertile soil that allows His Word to sprout and take root and to grow. In order for us to be this kind of soil we must be humble, recognizing our dependence upon God. We must fertilize the soil through prayer, reading of God's Word, frequent Confession, and attending Mass. When we do this the seed will grow into what God wants it to be and then will produce much fruit, more than a hundredfold.

I like to be optimistic and believe that all of us come to Mass so that we will be good soil. We are nourished by the Word of God and by the Body and Blood of His Son, Jesus Christ. Unless the soil is fed it cannot produce good fruit. We need to be fed by God if we are to do the will of God in our lives. By God's grace and our own efforts, we can change the type of soil we discover in our hearts. Through our participation in the Eucharist, Christ makes the soil of our hearts more fertile, able to produce abundant crops for the Kingdom of God. Let us allow Him to plant the seed of Christ within us and so that we are able to go and bear much fruit.

K úvaze: "Slyšíš mě?" Nepoužívali rodiče tuto větu, aby vyvolali naši pozornost a poslušnost? A nezvedne se v nás vlna odporu, pokud nám něco podobného řekne dnes někdo jiný, třeba partner? Přestože nejsou vždy příjemná, taková "upozornění" přicházejí vhod: občas potřebujeme "probudit" z netečného naslouchání, vždyť denně slyšíme tolik slov, že snadno přeslechneme ... to, co je podstatné. A koneckonců v podobné situaci se lidé nacházeli i před 2000 lety, a proto Kristus musel občas probouzet slovy "kdo má uši, slyš". A nejen tato věta, ale i samotná podobenství jsou účinné prostředky, jak zastavit člověka a přivést ho k skutečnému naslouchání.

Když nás někdo "vyruší" otázkou "slyšíš mě?", ozve se v nás možná podrážděnost: "zase po mně něco chce, zase mě vyrušuje". Tyto pocity však nemusíme mít, pokud se Kristus obrací na nás "s podobným nárokem" naslouchat mu a ... poslouchat. Nemusíme se zatvrdit, rozhněvat ("chce mi uložit další povinnost"). Nemusíme se uzavřít (i nežájem a nezúčastněné naslouchání je projevem uzavřenosti!) - vždyť na to bychom doplatili především my sami! Přišli bychom o "zúročení Božího slova": počáteční malý vklad ("obyčejné semeno slova", tj. známé a již neoslovující evangelium) se totiž rozroste... několikanásobně. Proto jsou šťastné uši, které slyší: šťastní jsou ti, kteří skutečně naslouchají. Protože jen upřímná otevřenost Božímu slovu přinese plody, promění "krajinu našeho života". Díky otevřenosti, "vyprázdnění", můžeme dojít naplnění přetékající v bohatou úrodu: třicetinasobnou, šedesátinasobnou, stonásobnou.

"Osud" semen zasetých na cestě nám ukazuje, že není žádným řešením přijít do kostela, poslušně sedět či vstávat a jakoby poslouchat ... ve skutečnosti nechat padnout slovo do srdce "zabetonovaného", uzavřeného, bez zájmu. Po skončení liturgie náš život pak půjde stejně dál po svých kolejkách (to je dvojkolejný život - s Bohem a bez Boha). Totéž se může stát i při naslouchání Božímu slovu ve společenství, nebo doma. "Naplnění" nepřinese ani chvilkové nadšení, dočasné velkorysé přijetí Ježíšova slova (to je postoj učedníka podle "dobrého počasí"). Ani kompromisní řešení "něco Bohu, něco sobě" (řešení vedoucí k dvojkolejnému a rozdělenému životu) není "šťastné". V tom případě by "trní" mohlo udusit "semeno evangelia". Šťastné řešení je "slyšet, naslouchat, poslouchat". A až budeme slyšet (či číst) Boží slovo, položme si otázku: "Slyšíš doopravdy?"

15to Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: Este domingo escuchamos la historia familiar del sembrador y la semilla. Al final, esta parábola es sobre abundancia, Dios hace que la semilla dé fruto muchas veces. La Madre Teresa dijo una vez "si no puedes alimentar a 100 personas, alimenta solo a una". Si somos receptores fructíferos de la Palabra de Dios ¿cuánto más multiplicará Dios la bondad en el mundo? ¿Cómo nos mueve la palabra de Dios a compartir abundantemente a través del simple gesto de ofrecer un paquete de galletas a los que no tienen hogar o de llevar comida a la despensa de alimentos local gratuita?

May all of you have a most blessed week.

Fr. Stephen Nerssta, farář

✠ PARISH BAZAAR ✠

Our annual Bazaar will be held on Sunday, September 20, but, due to Covid-19, our festivities this year are limited to:

DRIVE-THRU ONLY meal of BBQ & Fried Chicken

(with dressing, potato salad & cole slaw)

Serving from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (or until sold out)

Adult plates @ \$12 each

(8x8 cakes will also be available for sale @ \$5 each ... while they last)

AND

RAFFLE - with 32 prizes at a total value of \$8,350!

CAKES for MEAL: We would like to ask parishioners for cakes (only) for the drive-thru line. We are requesting the specific flavors of chocolate, yellow/white, or strawberry ONLY. They need to be baked in an 8x8 disposable pan and have a lid. If you are planning to bake cakes, please give the office a courtesy call, text or email to let us know how many. Thank you!

RAFFLE: We very much appreciate the overwhelming generosity of our parish family and friends for their donations for the Raffle and we know very well that we couldn't do any of this without you! God bless!

Our Bazaar information letter and Raffle tickets will be available for hand-out at our weekend Masses very soon. As always, we ask that you pick-up and sell as many tickets as possible to your family, friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc until the event. We will always have more available for you to pickup to sell throughout these next couple of months. Tickets will also be available for sale in the meal drive-thru line on the day of the event. Since we have so many prizes this year and we are limited on our festivities, the ticket prices have changed. **Raffle Tickets will be sold at \$3 each or 6 for \$15.**

The Raffle drawing will be held at 4:00 p.m. that day, live-stream, via our Facebook page (Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill)! All winners will be contacted after and prize delivery will be arranged at that time.

DONATIONS: In your letter/ticket packet, you will also receive one of our Bazaar Donation envelopes. Our Bazaar income usually amounts to 20% of our annual income. Since we won't have our Live Auction, Silent Auction, games, etc, for income, we ask that you consider what you might have spent in those areas and give an amount similar in the envelope. They can be mailed or brought to the parish office, or given in the collection at Mass. Any help will be much appreciated and all monetary donations are tax-deductible and will be logged in the office for year-end reports.