## HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL







Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

## Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, A.D. 2020

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	August 15	5:00 PM	Liv/Dec Members of KJZT St. Agnes Society †Hubert Klepac
Sunday	August 16	8:30 AM	†Jerry Kryshak †Jerry David
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	August 18	6:00 PM	Holly Smith (for healing) †Fr. Walter Carr
Wednesday	August 19	6:30 PM	†Marsha May
Thursday	August 20	7:00 AM	†Agnes Tschoerner
Friday	August 21	6:00 PM	Holly Smith (for healing)
Saturday	August 22	7:30 AM	†Helen Marie Kreitz
Saturday	August 22	5:00 PM	†Helen Marie Kreitz †Victor Palousek, Sr. †Lonnie Bruce Allen
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo
Sunday	August 23	10:30 AM	†Stanley Havelka †Charles Valenta

#### Mass Ministry Schedule for August 18 – August 23

Tuesday, August 18, 6:00 pm: Lector: Louis Brousseau Altar Servers: Brousseaus

Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 pm: Lector: Kelly Godfrey Altar Server: Jakob Voigt

Thursday, August 20, 7:00 am: Lector: Leo Bringman Altar Servers: Leo Bringman

Friday, August 21, 6:00 pm: Lector: Jakob Voigt Altar Server: Jakob Voigt

Saturday, August 22, 7:30 am: Lector: Janine Nemec Altar Servers: Pinto Nemec

## Saturday, August 22, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Nathan & Lucas K Lector: Jennifer Klepac EMHC: Jennifer Klepac Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

Sunday, August 23, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jenna, Carter, Lucas B Lector: Jennifer Marquis EMHC: Ray Nemec Head Usher: Tommy Sladecek

Sunday, August 23, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Sam W, Jarrod & Abby H Lector: Monica Sherek EMHC: Daniel Perez Head Usher: Bill Sherek

#### 🕆 Fr. Stephen Nesrsta 🗘

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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 512-470-5204 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 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)

### Last Week's Collection(s)

Weekly: \$6,112.54 / Online: \$1,583.60

#### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix & the Tabernacle are placed in honor of (and donated by) Kevin & Sharon Lloyd for their 35<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

The flowers with St. Joseph are placed in loving memory of Marsha May and are donated by Larry May.



Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 22

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

**Catholic Social Teaching Corner – August 15/16 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** In today's Gospel, Jesus found faith where he did not expect it. Catholic social teaching calls us to solidarity with those who are like the Canaanite woman: those who live differently, worship differently and those who don't look or behave as we do. They might be the poor, the undocumented immigrant, the person released from prison. We are called to attend to every person – even the "untouchables" in our society. Who are they for you? How will you respond?

A **CEF "Back to School" Spiritual Bouquet Enrollment drive** will be held after Masses this weekend, August 15/16, in the foyer of the church, for those wishing to enroll their children, grandchildren, catechists, teachers, etc, as they begin another school year soon. Enrollments for other occasions can also be made at this time. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card, and benefits the education of our Austin Diocese seminarians.

Holy Hour of Reparation every Thursday at 7:30 a.m. (after the 7 a.m. Mass), in the presence of the Lord, inside the church. We follow a beautiful, timeless, relevant Catholic Church approved booklet that will be provided for you each week. This is a good opportunity to pray for the world and for our families. Give the Lord your time and spend an hour in His presence to pray to His Heart.

**Eucharistic Adoration** every Thursday from 3–9 p.m. in the church. Come and spend some time with the Lord, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers will meet** next Sunday, August 23, in the RE Bldg following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend, and all are asked to wear face masks.



This year our CCE Program will be **<u>BUILDING ON GOD'S WORD</u>**. Our program may look different, but the content is still the same – passing the Catholic faith along to the next generation. **Registration is open and, in order for your child(ren) to receive credit for a full year of catechesis, they need to be registered by August 22**. There are Registration forms in the back of the church and online. Remember, in our Diocese Sacrament preparation is a two year process so if your child is in first or eighth grade, they need to be in a program now so that they can be sufficiently prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in Second Grade and Confirmation in Ninth Grade. Faith Formation materials will begin to be distributed during the week of August 24<sup>th</sup> so please contact the Faith Formation office at 737-215-1042 to schedule an appointment to pick them up. For questions please contact our office.

**RCIA Classes Begin September 8:** RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -- a process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. It is a community journey that leads to a transformation of mind and spirit. The RCIA is mainly for non-Catholics who want to become Catholic, but adult Catholics who have not received all of the Sacraments (Communion, Confession, Confirmation) may also come into full communion with the Church through the RCIA process. Also, anyone who is already Catholic and would like to learn more about their faith is welcome to attend the classes, which will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. in the PAC bldg beginning on Tuesday, September 8. If you have any questions or would like any other information, please contact Lucille D'Elia in the Faith Formation Office at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com. We are also looking for new members of our RCIA Team. If you are interested, please contact our Faith Formation Office.

**EIM Compliance and Our Parish Volunteers/Ministers:** During this time of COVID-19, all in-person EIM Workshops have been postponed. However, the diocesan **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 Refresher Workshop.** Please visit www.austindiocese.org/workshop to complete the temporary online EIM training. For more information, call (512) 949-2447.

\*\*\*<u>We request your immediate attention</u> --- as several of our volunteers and ministers are due for a refresher course NOW and still have yet to do so (thank you to those who have already completed theirs!). If you are due, you would have already received an email from the parish office as a reminder for renewal. Please call us if you have any problems or questions while completing the task online.

**SSCM Church** of Granger invites everyone to participate in their covid-style **Bazaar**! On Sunday, September 6, they will serve a drive-thru only BBQ Beef/Pork & Sausage meal (\$10/plate) from 11 am – 1 pm --- **but you must purchase tickets in advance**. They are also having a **Raffle** - \$20 donation per ticket (1<sup>st</sup> – Hustler Zero Turn Mower; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$2,000 Gift Card; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1,000 Gift Card). To purchase both Meal & Raffle tickets – contact their parish office at 512-859-2223.

Life, Charity, and Justice Gathering • Virtual Conference • Saturday, August 29 • 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. • Sign up at <u>www.austindiocese.org/christ-our-hope</u>. Speakers: Bishop Joe S. Vásquez, Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann & Luisa Lamadrid de Poo. REGISTER NOW AS SPACE IS LIMITED!! A gathering that will bring together parish leaders whose faith inspires them to respond to current challenges relating to evangelization in contemporary society, lay leadership, poverty, injustice, and the promotion of human life and dignity. All are welcome!

PRO· LIFE CORNER While we are only eight months into the year, it's already clear that the story of 2020 will be told for future generations. While the Coronavirus has dominated the news, discussions on race, family, religious freedom, and freedom in general have all come to the forefront of the American conversation this year. The importance and value of freedom is uniquely etched into the American conscious. Yet, as America has further embraced secularism, materialism, and individualism, the chasm between the Catholic

understanding of freedom and the secular understanding of freedom has only widened. One of the paradoxes of true freedom is that it cannot be unless it's limited! Absolute freedom ultimately leads only to anarchy and chaos. Imagine a beautiful river that flows freely within its banks. However, when the floods begin, the beauty is lost, and chaos ensues. As Catholics, our Lord's Commandments don't restrict us, but bring true freedom. So, the paradox of freedom is that we can only experience it by accepting constraints upon it. As Catholics freedom is the ability, and capacity to obey God. We have always understood that freedom is directly tied to responsibility. Our Catholic understanding of freedom is also bound to "the common good." The secular understanding of freedom has moved closer and closer to "radical individualism." This movement toward individualism has created great confusion in terms of our understanding of freedom to the point of being codified in the law itself. Individualism often ignores personal responsibility, the common good, and can even elevate the individual above the freedom of other people. The "freedom" to have an abortion is a great example of this confusion. Not only does it violate the 5th Commandment but violates the fundamental right to life away from someone else. Euthanasia and assisted suicide equally elevate the individual above the common good as it ignores the bonds of family and denigrates the value of the human person. In fact, many things that secular society celebrates and calls good, are not freedom, but are in fact individualism. Even today as our country struggles to follow protocols to subdue the Coronavirus we may actually be witnessing the current battle between true freedom and radical individualism. The culture of death (referenced by St. John Paul II) has always been driven by individualism confused with a false notion of freedom. Our Catholic Faith teaches us that freedom comes from God so during this difficult and complex era in which we live we weigh everything by Jesus's words. "If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free"...So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. (Jn 8:31-32, 35)

#### Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Now and forever! Some schools are beginnings classes while others are waiting until September. Let us pray for all students, teachers and parents. May God's blessings be upon them and may they have the courage to live their faith and be witnesses of God's love to one another.

Have you sold any raffle tickets yet? The raffle and dinner for our annual Bazaar are very important this year for our fundraising since we will not be having our usual full Bazaar. So, please sell as many raffle tickets as possible. Thank you!

Nexy Saturday, August 22, we celebrate the **Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Mary was made Queen of Heaven after her assumption into Heaven. Please try to attend Mass next Saturday morning as we honor the reality of Mary's special place in God's Kingdom.

Reminder: The weather has been very hot lately. Usually during summer, we are tempted to dress rather lightly or skimpy for Mass. We need to remember that as we come to Mass, we come to worship God and to receive His Son in Holy Communion. We should dress in a way that shows respect for God. The general rule that I believe is appropriate is that anyone over 6 years of age should not wear shorts to Mass. Also, girls and ladies should wear blouses or dresses that are appropriate from Mass, nothing strapless or no spaghetti straps. Some say that God doesn't care what you wear to Mass. Well, that may be so. But the question should be "do you love God enough that you care what you wear to Mass?" Do you stand in honor in His presence? Also, if you dress appropriately for Mass you will not be cold in church from the air conditioning. If the air is blowing on you and you are cold, try to move to another part of the church.

Today in the Gospel we see the extraordinary faith of the Canaanite woman. Jesus recognizes her faith and heals her daughter. She was not part of the "Chosen People" but Jesus answers her request. Donald Schwager writes: ["Do you ever feel "put-off" or ignored by the Lord? This passage describes the only occasion in which Jesus ministered outside of Jewish territory. (Tyre and Sidon were fifty miles north of Israel and still exist today in modern Lebanon.) A Gentile woman, a foreigner who was not a member of the Jewish people, puts Jesus on the spot by pleading for his help. At first Jesus seemed to pay no attention to her, and this made his disciples feel embarrassed. Jesus does this to test the woman to awaken faith in her. What did Jesus mean by the expression "throwing bread to the dogs"? The Jews often spoke of the Gentiles with arrogance and insolence as "unclean dogs" since the Gentiles were excluded from God's covenant and favor with Israel. For the Greeks the "dog" was a symbol of dishonor and was used to describe a shameless and audacious woman. Matthew 7:6 records the expression: *do not give dogs what is holy.* Jesus, no doubt, spoke with a smile rather than with an insult because this woman immediately responds with wit and faith – "even the dogs eat the crumbs". Jesus praises a Gentile woman for her faith and for her love. She made the misery of her child her own and she was willing to suffer rebuff in order to obtain healing for her loved one. She also had indomitable persistence. Her faith grew in contact with the person of Jesus. She began with a request and she ended on her knees in worshipful prayer to the living God. No one who ever sought Jesus with faith – whether Jew or Gentile – was refused his help. Do you seek Jesus with expectant faith?" (© 2020 Servants of the Word, source: dailyscripture.net, author Don Schwager)]

**KZAMYŠLÉNÍ:** Divadelníci či milovníci dramatu by dnes mohli zajásat. Ježíš sehrál roli nemilosrdného farizeje soudícího "nečistou" ženu podle její příslušnosti tak skvěle, že dodnes rozčiluje čtenáře, kteří procházejí text bez podrobnějšího čtení. Jak někomu vysvětlit, že Boží "sluch" se především neřídí podle příslušnosti k národu či k náboženství, ale podle víry! Pán navázal na zkušenost apoštolů z rozbouřeného moře, když kráčel po vodě. Tehdy zkoušel jejich odvahu k víře. Nyní pokračuje ve výuce a v této lekci ukazuje, že víra úzce souvisí s pokorou a oddaností Bohu, i když jsme zoufalí. A Bůh se k člověku nesklání především pro příslušnost k nějakému národu, straně či společenství, ale pro víru a naději, kterou do něj vkládá!

20mo. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario: En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús encuentra fe donde no la esperaba. La enseñanza social Católica nos llama a la solidaridad con aquellos que son como la mujer cananea: aquellos que viven de manera diferente, cuyo culto es diferente y aquellos que no se ven o comportan como nosotros. Puede que sean los pobres, los inmigrantes indocumentados, las personas liberadas de prisión. Estamos llamados a asistir a todas las personas—incluso a las "intocables" de nuestra sociedad ¿Quiénes son estas personas para usted? ¿Cómo responderá usted?

May all of you have a most blessed week. Keep cool and pray for rain!

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář

# PARISH BAZAAR \* COVID-STYLE Sunday, September 20

# DRIVE - THRU ONLY meal of BBQ Beef & Fried Chicken (with dressing, potato salad & cole-slaw)

- Serving from 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. (or until sold out) @ \$12/plate
- 8″x8″ cakes @ \$5 ea. & 6 homemade kolaches for \$6 will be sold in line ... while they last (sweets sponsored by KJZT Family Life, St. Agnes Society #15)

## Fresh from the Pit - BBQ Brisket

- BBQ by the Pound will be sold in the drive-thru line @ \$15/lb
  - Whole Briskets approximately 10 lbs cooked weight each sold by PRE-ORDER ONLY
    - o Contact Becky (512-639-9091) to order deadline September 6
      - $\circ$  \$150 each payable by cash or check at pick-up
      - $\circ$  Pick-up on day of from 8 am 10 am or from 2 pm 4 pm

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

- Please pick up more tickets at the Bazaar table at the weekend Masses, from Janet Havelka (512-517-8895) or from the parish office and sell, sell, sell!!
- Return your tickets/money to the Bazaar table at Mass, or mail/bring to the office.
- If you are not getting out due to Covid, or if you live out of town, you are welcome to send your money to the parish office and we will fill out your tickets for you! (receipt thereof will be sent)
- Tickets will also be available in the drive-thru line on the day of.
- Tickets are \$3/each or a book of 6/\$15. Need not be present to win.
- Raffle drawing will be held at 4 pm on September 20 via live stream on our *Holy Trinity Catholic Church* Facebook page. Winners will be contacted thereafter to arrange prize delivery.

# CAKES & KOLACHES for drive-thru

- Cakes are requested, and much appreciated, from parishioners
  - Size: 8"x8" in a disposable pan with lid
  - Specific flavors of <u>chocolate</u>, <u>yellow</u>, <u>white or strawberry</u> only.
  - Sign up on sheet at Bazaar table at weekend Masses or contact the parish office.
  - Cakes can be brought to the PAC the morning of the Bazaar BY 10:00 AM!
- Homemade Kolaches are requested, and much appreciated, from parishioners
  - Interested bakers can contact Barbara Danek with questions (512-746-2015).
  - Specific flavors of <u>apricot</u>, <u>pineapple</u>, <u>cream</u> <u>cheese</u> or <u>poppy</u> <u>seed</u> only.
  - Containers (which hold 6 kolaches) will be available at the church entrances.

## **MONETARY DONATIONS**

• Our Bazaar profits amount 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. Donations 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.