

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, A.D. 2020

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 5	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 6	8:30 AM	†Hubert Klepac †Agnes Tschoerner
		10:30 AM	†Kenneth Owen †Victor Palousek, Jr. †Frank Palousek †William Harding
Tuesday	Sept 8	6:00 PM	†Rosemary Waltman Dale Lienhart
Wednesday	Sept 9	6:30 PM	†Elias Bigon Darlene Lesley (healing)
Thursday	Sept 10	7:00 AM	†Agnes Tschoerner Bishop Athanasius Schneider & O.R.C. Order
Friday	Sept 11	6:00 PM	†Dave & Mary Price †Arthur & Glenna Morgan
Saturday	Sept 12	7:30 AM	†Norman Dobias †Annie Mae Janish
Saturday	Sept 12	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Sept 13	8:30 AM	†Aage & Cristina Sund
		10:30 AM	Penny Yanez Darlene Lesley (healing)

### Mass Ministry Schedule for September 8-13

**Tuesday, September 8, 6:00 pm:**

**Lector:** Leo Bringman

**Altar Servers:** Leo Bringman

**Wednesday, September 9, 6:30 pm:**

**Lector:** Kelly Godfrey

**Altar Servers:** Leo Bringman

**Thursday, September 10, 7:00 am:**

**Lector:** Leo Bringman

**Altar Servers:** Leo Bringman

**Friday, September 11, 6:00 pm:**

**Lector:** Jakob Voigt

**Altar Server:** Jakob Voigt

**Saturday, September 12, 7:30 am:**

**Lector:** Monica Sherek

**Altar Servers:** James Nemecek

**Saturday, September 12, 5:00 PM:**

**Altar Servers:** Preston & Heather S

**Lector:** Leo Bringman

**EMHC:** Jim Heuertz

**Head Usher:** Donald Tschoerner

**Sunday, September 13, 8:30 AM:**

**Altar Servers:** Carter M & Jenna D

**Lector:** Chris Stefek

**EMHC:** Ray Nemecek

**Head Usher:** Matt Mertink

**Sunday, September 13, 10:30 AM:**

**Altar Servers:** Samuel W, Jarrod & Isabella H

**Lector:** Kelly Godfrey

**EMHC:** Daniel Perez

**Head Usher:** Frank Knappek

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**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 Sladeczek 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 Nemecek 254-527-3615

**K.J.T. Society #55:** John Danek 512-819-4362

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**Catholic Life Insurance #50:** Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

**CEF Enrollments:** Janine Nemecek 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: \$5,903.40 / Online: \$776.35

Social Ministry Fund: \$594.00

### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Crucifix are placed in memory of **Agnes Tschoerner**, and are donated by the Franklin Tschoerner family.

The flowers at the Tabernacle are placed in memory of **Marsha May** and are donated by Larry, Chris & Darrell May.

### A Prayer to end Covid-19

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Healer, we ask you to end the pandemic we are experiencing. Please guard and protect us from the coronavirus. For all who have died from it, have mercy on their souls; for those infected, bring healing. Enlighten those searching for ways to treat it and for a vaccine to protect us from it. Lord, protect, strengthen and shield our medical professionals and all caregivers. Help us to do our part to be patient and cooperative, so that the coronavirus can be eradicated from our communities and throughout the world. When afraid, grant us peace; when in doubt, deepen our faith. May your Divine Mercy be with us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

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

**And we thank you, while our seating is limited, for moving, if possible, to make room for larger families that come in for Mass.**

**Catholic Social Teaching Corner – September 5/6 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:** A Labor Day reflection from the Catechism of the Catholic Church: *Participation [in the common good] is achieved first of all by taking charge of the areas for which one assumes personal responsibility: by the care taken for the education of his family, by conscientious work, and so forth, man participates in the good of others and of society (#1914).*

This weekend, we welcome **Fr. Richard Migodela, OSB, a Benedictine Missionary from Tanzania, serving at St. Maurus Hanga Abbey.** Their mission is serving people to have safe drinking water and he will be sharing his Mission Appeal with us. A collection to support their efforts will be taken at each Mass. Please be generous.

**RCIA Classes Begin This Week!** 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. Classes will be held every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm. in the PAC Bldg beginning this 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](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com). If you are planning on attending this year, please let us know **ASAP** so that we can have sufficient resources available as we begin class.

Our **CCE Program** has begun! For all information, please contact Lucille D'Elia at [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com) or 737-215-1042.

**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.

**Pro-Life 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.

**Knights of Columbus (KC) – Holy Trinity Council:** There will be a KC meeting this Thursday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the PAC Bldg. All members are invited. All men interested in becoming a member of the KC, or in transferring into the Holy Trinity Council from another, are also invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Josh Jacobs (612-212-9624 or [jacobs817@gmail.com](mailto:jacobs817@gmail.com)).

**Holy Land Collection:** For those of you that have contribution envelopes, or may have otherwise seen in the bulletin back in April, this diocesan collection was originally scheduled for Good Friday, April 10, but was actually postponed by the diocese, due to Covid-19, and **re-scheduled for next weekend (September 12/13)**. If you turned/mailed in your envelope back in April, we appreciate it. If you did not, you may contribute next weekend. Thank you!

**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).

The **Help Me to Let Go, Lord! Retreat** will be offered virtually on September 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. This is a day of reflection with honest consideration of personal attachments that spiritually hinder us. Michael Flahive, a trained spiritual director and adult faith formation presenter, will lead this retreat based upon the book *"Addiction and Grace"* by Gerald G. May. The cost is \$45 and includes lunch. Register online at [www.cedarbrake.org](http://www.cedarbrake.org) or call the Cedarbrake office at (254) 780-2436.

**Online opportunity to write a will – FREE!** In uncertain times, the best thing we can do is to make a plan for the future. The Diocese of Austin is offering an online resource to help everyone in our Catholic community write a will and protect the things that God has blessed them with. Best of all, the resource is completely free to use. Take 20 minutes today to get peace of mind and create a legacy to support schools and parishes in Central Texas. Get started at [www.FreeWill.com/AustinDiocese](http://www.FreeWill.com/AustinDiocese).

The **"Amazon Smile Program"** donates 0.5% of the price of eligible items purchased on Amazon to a charity of your choice – and **"Holy Trinity Catholic Church – Corn Hill Texas"** is one of those charities available!! Go to <http://smile.amazon.com> - sign into your Amazon account and choose our parish (as worded above) as your organization of choice. We appreciate your support! Share this information with your friends!

## Dear friends in Christ,

This weekend is Labor Day weekend. Labor Day should be a day that we give thanks to God for the work He has given us to do. Are you doing the work that God has planned for you, or are you only doing your own work? We must remember that all the work we have been given to do is a gift from God and should be done in a way that gives Him greater glory and honor. We need to do it for God and not just for our own benefit and satisfaction. If we approach our work with this mindset then it will have a whole new meaning and purpose in our life. Are you doing the work that God has for you? Always be open to how God is calling you to do His work in the world. This may lead to a change of employment for you and be a test of faith, calling you to depend upon God to lead you into a new adventure in life. May your faith sustain you to do the work that God has for you.

This week we celebrate the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on Tuesday, September 8. I would encourage you to come to Mass as we honor her and her "Yes" to God. Also, you may want to bake a birthday cake at home and celebrate with your family. This would be a good day to pray the rosary together as a family also. Happy Birthday Mary!

Our **Parish Bazaar To-Go Meal and Raffle**, with cakes and koláče also available for purchase, is only two weeks away. Please continue to sell as many raffle tickets as possible and be willing to help out at the meal and raffle. Let us pray that all will be a success so that funds will be available to help us in our ministry here in Corn Hill.

**There will be a change in our parish office staff.** After 15 years of faithful service to Holy Trinity Parish, Jennifer Klepač will be leaving us and going to work at UMHB in Belton. She has served the parish well and has faithfully served her pastors. We ask God's blessings upon her. Her last day will be September 18. Monica Snook, who has been assisting in the office recently, will become our new Administrative Assistant. We are also now **looking to hire someone to clean the RE/Office Bldg** on a weekly basis. Please apply at the parish office if you are interested.

**It seems our Livestream is constantly changing.** I apologize for this. It seems so easy, but yet it is complicated. To view the Mass Livestream on Facebook please go to the Facebook page "Stepan Nestrsta". You will need a Facebook account to view the Mass Livestream. To open an account is very simple and the only information you must give them is a name, which can be any name, and a birthdate. That is all there is to it. Once again, I apologize for any inconvenience this has caused any of you.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about relationships, especially those that are damaged by sin. He tells us that we should try to repair such relationships by going to the person in private and informing them of the sin they have done and offering them our love and forgiveness. We must always keep in mind that sometimes we are the ones who are the sinners and that we must be open to someone coming to us to correct us and we must also be open to receiving their love and forgiveness. In regard to this, Saint Augustine of Hippo comments on Jesus' instruction: *"If someone has done you injury and you have suffered, what should be done? You have heard the answer already in today's scripture: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone." If you fail to do so, you are worse than he is. He has done someone harm, and by doing harm he has stricken himself with a grievous wound. Will you then completely disregard your brother's wound? Will you simply watch him stumble and fall down? Will you disregard his predicament? If so, you are worse in your silence than he in his abuse. Therefore, when anyone sins against us, let us take great care, but not merely for ourselves. For it is a glorious thing to forget injuries. Just set aside your own injury, but do not neglect your brother's wound. Therefore "go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone," intent upon his amendment but sparing his sense of shame. For it might happen that through defensiveness he will begin to justify his sin, and so you will have inadvertently nudged him still closer toward the very behavior you desire to amend. Therefore "tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother," because he might have been lost, had you not spoken with him.* [Sermon 82.7]

Jesus also says that, if this does not work, then go and find a wise friend who can help you to solve the problem. Maybe they will listen to someone other than yourself. If this does not work out, go to the Church to get guidance on what should be done. If this also does not solve the problem, then it may be best to let that relationship remain idle for some time.

The Church has the responsibility to inform people, and this includes politicians, when they are sinning. The Church must try to speak to them about their situation and offer them advice on what they should do to correct it. If the person does not listen to the Church in serious matters, then the Church must excommunicate them to let them know the seriousness of what they have done. Excommunication is meant to be medicinal. It is meant to encourage the person to seek reconciliation and forgiveness. If a person has been excommunicated, they may still go to Mass, but they are not able to receive Holy Communion until the situation has been resolved. Some sins are so serious that, when we commit them, we excommunicate ourselves from the Church and should not receive Holy Communion. Some of these are murder, adultery, abortion (automatic excommunication), marrying outside the laws of the Church (i.e. by Justice of the Peace, by a minister of another religion), living together before marriage (cohabitation), missing Mass on Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation (except when traveling or when we are ill), and more. We should seek reconciliation and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation before we receive Holy Communion again. It's time we all start living our faith again. Maybe then we can change our families and our nation. But first, we must be humble and admit when we have sinned and seek God's mercy and forgiveness.

**K úvaze:** Napomenutí - choulostivá záležitost. A nesnadná. Proto neudivuje, že mnoho lidí (i křesťanů) s tím nechce mít nic společného - "je to jeho věc a jeho rozhodnutí, má přece svobodu". A naopak se najdou jiní, kteří horlivě vytknou i sebemenší maličkost.

Biblický pohled je naštěstí trochu jiný. Ten ukazuje, že mohu i mám napomenout druhého v případě závažného provinění. Čili ne za každou hloupost. Ale to není všechno. Z mé strany se vyžadují určité podmínky - na prvním místě jednat v Božím jménu (podobně jako prorok Ezechiel). To především znamená jednat "jako Boží zástupce". Znamená to nejprve se sjednotit s Bohem v modlitbě, naučit se vidět druhého "Božíma očima", v Božím postoji milosrdné lásky, která nechce smrt, ale život. Nechce pokořit (třeba pádným napomenutím), ale povýšit (z bídy hříchu).

Takový postoj vymýtí z mého srdce nemístnou tvrdost, zlobu, odsouzení ("tak velký hříšník je to!"). Napomínat v Božím jménu znamená být veden jak velkou láskou k druhému, tak i nenávisť k hříchu, jak už svatý Augustýn moudře poznamenal.

Někdy nepomůže ani sebelépe míněné "napomenutí". Tehdy nezbyvá, než požádat o pomoc někoho zkušenějšího ... (zároveň však mohu i nadále v modlitbě nést toho "ztraceného"). Nezapomeňme, že nejhlubším motivem napomenutí je získat druhého, "uvolnit jeho pouta", přivést na svobodu. A to je velká služba. Skoro nedocenitelná. (Pastorace.cz)

**23ro Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** Una reflexión del Día del Trabajo del Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica: La participación se realiza ante todo con la dedicación a las tareas cuya responsabilidad personal se asume: por la atención prestada a la educación de su familia, por la responsabilidad en su trabajo, el hombre participa en el bien de los demás y de la sociedad (#1914).

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nestrsta, 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
  - **Contact Becky (512-639-9091) to order – deadline this Sunday, September 6!**
  - \$150 each – payable by cash or check at pick-up
  - 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 return any unsold tickets! Thanks!)

- 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 chocolate, yellow, white or strawberry 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 apricot, pineapple, cream cheese or poppy seed only.
  - Containers 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.

#### Help us reach our goal!

The average Bazaar income (minus meal/BBQ, raffle and sweets/kolaches) for the past three years is \$43,120.00.

Your generosity would be appreciated in trying to match this for 2020! God bless!

Your donations to-date total →

