

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, A.D. 2020

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Sept 19	5:00 PM	†Johnnie Simek †Dean Goettl
Sunday	Sept 20	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Sharon Parma †Louis & Mary Stojanik †Agnes Tschoerner
Monday	Sept 21	7:00 AM	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	Sept 22	6:00 PM	Juli Soric Marcia Breeding (healing) †Agnes Tschoerner
Wednesday	Sept 23	6:30 PM	†Norma Klaus †Frank Krenek
Thursday	Sept 24	7:00 AM	†Hank Grover †Max Chambliss
Friday	Sept 25	6:00 PM	The Holy Father & his intentions †Joe & Clara Klepac
Saturday	Sept 26	7:30 AM	†Annie Mae Janish †Marsha May
Saturday	Sept 26	5:00 PM	†Tommie Rose Martine Joe Villarreal
Sunday	Sept 27	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	Tracy Allen †Albert Spanel

### Mass Ministry Schedule for September 22 - 27

**Monday, September 21, 7:00 am:**

**Lector: (1 volunteer needed)**

**Altar Servers: (1 volunteer needed)**

**Tuesday, September 22, 6:00 pm:**

**Lector: Louis Brousseau**

**Altar Servers: Brousseaus**

**Wednesday, September 23, 6:30 pm:**

**Lector: Kelly Godfrey**

**Altar Server: Jakob Voigt**

**Thursday, September 24, 7:00 am:**

**Lector: Leo Bringman**

**Altar Servers: Leo Bringman**

**Friday, September 25, 6:00 pm:**

**Lector: Jakob Voigt**

**Altar Server: Jakob Voigt**

**Saturday, September 26, 7:30 am:**

**Lector: Janine Nemeč**

**Altar Servers: Pinto Nemeč**

**Saturday, September 26, 5:00 PM:**

**Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S**

**Lector: Lupe Bernal**

**EMHC: Brandi Bernal**

**Head Usher: Stephanie Wright**

**Sunday, September 27, 8:30 AM:**

**Altar Servers: Jenna D, Carter M, Lucas B**

**Lector: Jennifer Marquis**

**EMHC: James Nemeč**

**Head Usher: Matt Mertink**

**Sunday, September 27, 10:30 AM:**

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

**Lector: Duane Blakeslee**

**EMHC: Gwen Blakeslee**

**Head Usher: Frank Knapek**

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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 512-470-5204

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**Men's Prayer Group:** Pete Zenner 512-863-4038

**Knights of Columbus:** Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624

**Conf. of Christian Mothers:** Lucille Nemeč 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 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)

Weekly: \$4708.00 / Online: \$946.35

Holy Land: \$445.49

### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Tabernacle are placed in memory of the **Vrana & Fojtik Families** and are donated by Gene & Deanna Fojtik family.

The flowers at the Crucifix are placed in memory of the **Bonkowski, Sherek and Skrhak Families** and are donated by Gene & Deanna Fojtik family.

The flowers with our Blessed Mother are placed in memory of the **Mazoch & Raesz Families** and are donated by Christina Fojtik & Colton Mazoch.

The flowers with St. Joseph are placed in memory of the **Zimmerhanzel & Crawford Families** and are donated by Keith & Stephanie Zimmerhanzel.

*We welcome everyone who is visiting today for our annual Bazaar! We hope you enjoy your meal and we wish you luck on the Raffle!*

**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 19/20 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:** The Gospel this Sunday seems to contradict everything Catholic teaching offers about just wages and fairness. However, the point of the Gospel is not just wages, it is God's generosity toward all of us, even those of us who get serious about accepting the invitation to "working in the vineyard" later in our lives. God's generosity is an inspiration for us to practice both justice and charity. Justice means that we give to every person what is due to them as a child of God. Charity goes beyond justice by loving others and giving beyond what justice requires because of that love. We are loved much and therefore should love greatly in turn. Who needs love this week from me?

**RCIA:** Next class will be held this Tuesday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE building. Discussion: Divine Revelation. For information, contact Lucille D'Elia at [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com) or 737-215-1042.



There will be a very important **meeting for all Sacrament I and Sacrament II parents** (first and second grade) on Wednesday, September 23, in the PAC building immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass. This meeting will explain our in-person program for your children, which will begin Wednesday, October 7. Please make every effort to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at 737-215-1042 or [htcdre@yahoo.com](mailto:htcdre@yahoo.com).

**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.

We will have our monthly **Faith Formation Collection** next weekend (September 26/27) which allows us to provide necessary resources for the education of children in our CCE program, participants in the RCIA program & the continued education of adults.

The **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet next Sunday, September 27, 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.

**Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton: Learn, Lunch & Liturgy** - Spend a few hours on Sunday, September 27 from 11:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. learning and sharing about the readings of the day, with a nice lunch and the celebration of Mass. Brian Egan, director of Cedarbrake, will lead the discussion. Father Albert Haase will celebrate Mass. (This will also be offered again on October 25 and November 22.) Cost is \$25 and includes lunch. Register online [www.cedarbrake.org](http://www.cedarbrake.org) or call (254) 780-2436.

In October, we will have our annual **Pastoral Council Member nominations process**. Please complete and return your nomination form to parish office by October 6.

**St. Mary's Catholic School in Taylor** currently serves grades PK3 – 8<sup>th</sup>, but is now extending their curriculum thru 10<sup>th</sup> grade of High School! They offer *classical* education for wisdom and virtue, centered on Christ in the Catholic tradition. Join them for a virtual information session on Thursday, October 29, at 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact the school at 512-352-2313.

September is Disaster Preparedness month. At **Catholic Charities of Central Texas**, we aim to educate our communities in how to be prepared for a disaster and how to respond when it strikes. We offer our free preparedness presentations to help educate community members as well. For more information or to schedule a presentation, call 979-822-9340.

**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).

**Banns of Marriage are announced** for the first time for Margaret Sukup & Samuel Hinze, who will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony here on October 10.

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!

### Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. This weekend is our Bazaar to-go Meal and Raffle. We welcome all who are coming for the to-go meal. May you all have safe travels. Thank you for your support.

This week we celebrate the feast day of a few well known saints. Monday - St. Matthew; Wednesday - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio); Saturday - Sts. Cosmas and Damian. May we follow their example in living our life of faith and may they intercede and pray for us.

How many times have you heard the statement “It is not fair”? You may hear it said by someone every day of your life. You who are parents probably hear your children say it quite often. I have heard it said at the dinner table “It is not fair” when a child did not get to sit in the place they wanted to sit but their sister or brother got to sit there instead. I hear “It is not fair” sometimes from people who are suffering from cancer or some other illness.

When will we just stop fighting this inequality and accept the truth? Life is not set up to be fair, not if “fair” means that everyone gets the same thing. People really need to understand this in today’s day and time as so many are crying out because life is not fair. Some will get cancer. A few will strike it rich. Some will be born beautiful. Others will have natural athletic talent. And, of course, a precious few will be rich, beautiful, athletic and healthy. While some others will be poor, uncoordinated, and ordinary. Our sense of fairness and God’s fairness are often two different things in life.

And oftentimes we think that what we believe fairness to be is the way that it should be and not the way that God has it to be.

We see this in today’s gospel passage. I invite you to read the scripture passage immediately before and after this parable. In the preceding section of scripture the disciples ask about their reward for the sacrifices they made to follow Jesus. And following this parable the mother of James and John asks Jesus for special places of privilege for her two sons. Jesus is troubled by people trying to get a position, trying to be first in line when the blessings are distributed. So He responds, “The first will be last, and the last will be first.” In other words, Jesus turns such speculation around. In things of this world it may sound like good business to try for first place. But the philosophy of “look out for yourself” and “the early bird gets the worm” is not the way the Kingdom of God works, according to Jesus.

So He drives home the point with the story of the farm laborers. Some of them labor for twelve hours, others only work nine or six or three hours. Those who were hired later were very fortunate to have gotten hired for any work that day. But the farmer in today’s story kept going back for more workers. And when he pays them, he pays those who came last, first, and the same amount as the others who had worked all day. Probably those who worked all day thought they would get twice as much. How could he pay them the same amount? Though they were hired for this sum, and though they were grateful for a job when they were hired, that gratitude evaporated under the hot sun of their envy. So they say, “Master, you are not fair!”

Today’s parable, though, is not about fairness, but about the generosity of God. This unpredictable outrageous generosity of God strikes you differently depending on where you are standing in line. But you can be sure of this, when we line up before God on that final payday, you will be glad just to be in a line where you will receive just what God has promised you. And I do not believe that you will want to get out of that line.

Let us be a people that is thankful for everything we receive, no matter how little or how much it may seem to be here on earth, for our reward will be great in heaven, more than any of us can imagine, and all of us will want to accept the fairness of God and not care who is first or who is last in His Kingdom. We will just be glad to be there!

**K ZAMYŠLENÍ:** Možná se těšíme, až Bůh začne soudit a všem zločincům udělí přísné tresty. Ježíšovo podobenství o dělnících na vinici, však míří na jinou rovinu soudu. Bůh touží dát plnost, a to každému. Jeho soud zahrnuje i to, co často nevidíme a nejsme schopni odhadnout, vidí hluboko do srdce lidí. Vidí také okolnosti života. Je připraven rozdávat tak, aby každý dosáhl plnosti. Budeme ochotni přijmout Boží dobrotu tak silně rezonující ve slovech pána vinice: „Chci však i tomuhle poslednímu dát jako tobě“? (Vira.cz)

**25to. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** El Evangelio de este domingo parece contradecir todo lo que la enseñanza Católica ofrece sobre salarios justos y equidad. De cualquier modo, el punto del Evangelio no es sólo los salarios, es la generosidad de Dios hacia nosotros, incluso hacia aquellos de nosotros que aceptamos la invitación de “trabajar en el viñedo” tarde en nuestras vidas. La generosidad de Dios es una inspiración para nosotros para practicar ambas, la justicia y la caridad. La justicia significa que demos a cada persona lo que les corresponde como hijos de Dios. La caridad va más allá de la justicia al amar a los otros y dar más allá de lo que la justicia demanda por amor. Somos muy amados y por lo tanto debemos amar mucho en reciprocidad ¿Quién necesita amor de mí esta semana?

May all of you have a most blessed week filled with the abundant generosity of God.

**In Christ,  
Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář**

# Generosity – Divine Intimacy Meditation

ROMAN CATHOLIC SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

## Generosity: the Presence of God

*Fill my heart with Your spirit of generosity, O Lord, so that I may know how to give myself wholly to Your service.*

Generosity is very similar to magnanimity but has a wider scope, including not only great things, but anything which concerns the service of God. It urges the soul to do all with the greatest devotion. Generosity is the virtue which teaches us to spend ourselves, without counting the cost, without ever saying, “It is enough”; it teaches us to give ourselves completely, and to work with the maximum of love, not only in great things but also in little ones, even the least. Only when we are not hampered by the bonds of selfishness can we be really generous, that is, capable of giving ourselves wholly to the service of our ideal, to the accomplishment of our mission, without thinking of self, without letting ourselves be detained by personal preoccupations. If we really understood that our vocation comes from God, and that He has prepared for us all the graces we need to correspond with it most perfectly, we should not allow ourselves to be disheartened by the sacrifices it requires. Selfishness, preoccupation with self, and discouragement are all enemies of generosity; they are “earth and lead” which weigh down our spiritual life, making it more fatiguing and keeping us from soaring to the heights. Why should we reduce ourselves to walking at “a hen’s pace” (Teresa of Jesus, *Life*, 13) when God has made us capable of flying like the eagle? St. Teresa laughs somewhat mischievously at those who are afraid of doing too much for God, and under pretext of prudence, measure their acts of virtue with a yardstick: “You need never fear that they will kill themselves; they are eminently reasonable folk! Their love is not yet ardent enough to overwhelm their reason. How I wish ours would make us dissatisfied with this habit of always serving God at a snail’s pace! As long as we do that we shall never get to the end of the road. Do you think that if we could get from one country to another in a week, it would be advisable to take a year over it?” (*Interior Castle*, III, 2). The quickest way to reach our goal is generosity, which is the fruit of love and at the same time the generator of love.

*“O Lord, how little we do for You! Indeed we cannot consider as signs of great virtue and mortification, these little acts which are of no weight or bulk, like grains of salt which a bird might carry in its beak. Sometimes we attribute importance to trifling things we do for You which, however numerous they may be, cannot be considered of much value. I am like that myself and I forget Your favors at every moment. I do not say that in Your great mercy, You do not value these little acts of virtue; but I have no wish to set store by them myself, or even to notice when I do them, since they are nothing.*

*“Forgive me, then, O Lord, and blame me not if I try to take comfort from anything I do, since I am of no real service to You: if I served You in great matters, I would set no store by these nothings. Blessed are they who serve You by great deeds! If merely envying them and desiring to imitate them counted in my favor, I should not be wanting in pleasing You! But I am of no worth, my Lord; do You put value into what I do since You have such love for me.*

*“O my God, grant that I may no longer be content with serving You in a small way, but let me do so to the greatest extent of my powers. Help me to make You a complete gift of my soul, emptying it of everything, so that You may take out and put in just what You like, as You would with something of Your own. You refuse to force our will, You take what we give You, but You do not give Yourself wholly until we give ourselves wholly to You. You like everything to be done in order, and You do not work within a soul unless it is wholly Yours, and keeps nothing back” (Teresa of Jesus, *Life*, 39 – 20 – *Way of Perfection*, 28).*

*“O most loving Word of God, teach me to be generous, to serve You as You deserve: to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for any other reward save that of knowing that I do Your holy will” (St. Ignatius).*