HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL









Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, A.D. 2021

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Jan 2	5:00 PM	†John Obst †Paul & Ella Knapek
Sunday	Jan 3	8:30 AM	†Margie Martinka (incense) †Alvin "Sonny" Kalinec
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo
Tuesday	Jan 5	6:00 PM	Michael Borne Members & Mission of the Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas
Wednesday	Jan 6	6:30 PM	†Virginia & William McMaster †Matt Vann
Thursday	Jan 7	7:00 AM	†Richard Gerik †Fr. Adam Rucki
Friday	Jan 8	6:00 PM	†Tony & Deloros Sladecek
Saturday	Jan 9	7:30 AM	†LeRoy Tschoerner
Saturday	Jan 9	5:00 PM	Margie & Richard Matthews 50 th Wedding Anniversary Thanksgiving for God's Gifts
Sunday	Jan 10	8:30 AM	†Rudolph, Elizabeth, Johnny & Rosalie Vrana (incense)
Cunday	Junio	10:30 AM	Pro Populo

Mass Ministry Schedule for January 5-10

Tuesday, January 5, 6:00 PM: Altar Servers: Brousseaus

Lector: Louis Brousseau

Wednesday, January 6, 6:30 PM: Altar Servers: Amy Stefek, Adelaide B, Martin Ortiz Lector: Kelly Godfrey EMHC: Lupe Bernal

Thursday, January 7, 7:00 AM: Altar Server: Leo Bringman Lector: Leo Bringman

Friday, January 8, 6:00 PM: Altar Server: Pinto Nemec Lector: Pinto Nemec

Saturday, January 9, 7:30 AM: Altar Server: James Nemec Lector: Kitzi Crawford

Saturday, January 9, 5:00 PM

Altar Servers: Nathan & Lucas Klepac Lector: Monica Sherek EMHC: Brandi Bernal Head Usher: Bill Sherek

Sunday, January 10, 8:30 AM: (incense) Altar Servers: Carter M, Jenna D Martin O, Adelaide B. Lector: Jennifer Marguis

ECTOR: Jennifer Marquis EMHC: James Nemec Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Sunday, January 10, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jakob V., Abby & Isabella H. Lector: Pete Zenner EMHC: Leslie Allen Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-Ins: Brandon Danek

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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 Knights of Columbus: Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624 Conf. of Christian Mothers: Lucille Nemec 254-527-3615 Religious Articles: Louise Straka 512-746-5322 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 guestions and requirements (737-215-1042)

Last Week's Collection(s)

 Christmas:
 \$5,538.00

 December
 26/27

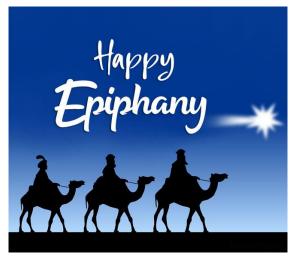
 Weekly Collection:
 \$3,847.00

 Online Donations:
 \$554.30

 Holy Family:
 \$1,292.00

Altar Flowers

To request Altar Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, complete and return the 'Altar Flower Envelope' (located by bulletins or from our website).



Wise Men Still Seek Him!

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.

We congratulate Levi Jeffrey Melend, son of Jeffrey & Rebecca Melend, who received the Sacrament of Baptism here at Holy Trinity last weekend.

Catholic Social Teaching - Jan. 2-3, Feast of the Epiphany: As we continue the Christmas season this feast helps us to understand that Jesus is the Light of the whole world and his salvation is given to all people. The magi from afar trusted that God would lead them to the new King, whom they found in very humble, non-royal circumstances. Do we allow God to help us to recognize Christ in the face of the migrant women and children crossing our borders? In the lives of the poor? In the tiny unborn child? In the prisoner on death row? Where can we look for Jesus this week?

The New Year has begun and there are still many boxes of the 2021 Collection Envelopes that are yet to be picked up. If you do not have a box in there and want one, please put your name on the list provided then check back the next weekend for your box. If you are now making your donations online and no longer need a box of envelopes, please let the office know.

If you would like a **2020 Donation Report** for tax, or other, purposes, please let the office know. If you received one this past year, you will automatically receive one again. Reports will be mailed out by January 31.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, January 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: Baptism/Confirmation. For more information, contact Lucille D'Elia.

RE IGIOUS EDUCA⁺ION

Classes this Wednesday, January 6, at 6:15 p.m. Mass at 6:30 p.m., which parents are encouraged to stay and attend, with classes to follow in the RE Bldg. If you have any questions, please contact Lucille D'Elia at our Faith Formation Office at 737-215-1042 or 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 Adoration every Thursday in the church from 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Come and spend time with the Lord, present in the Holy Eucharist.

THE CZECH CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF TEXAS (CCFT) will hold its Annual Membership Meeting, virtually, on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 10 a.m. The mission of CCFT is "to document, study, preserve, celebrate and perpetuate all elements of the Czech Catholic faith transplanted to Texas by immigrants from the Czech lands, and to strengthen ties with the Czech Catholics of the ancestral homeland evangelized by Saints Cyril and Methodius." To participate in the Zoom (virtual) meeting please send your email address to marek1212@gmail.com.

Holy Trinity Painting Restoration Update: The restoration is being done by Brown Mountain Art and Antique Restoration in Dallas. It should take about 12 weeks to complete the work. Cost is \$12,100.00. As of today, we have received a total of \$ 12,315.00. This does not include shipping which is approximately \$2,500.00 Thank you for your generosity! If you would like to donate, please put your donation in an envelope and mark on it "Holy Trinity Painting Restoration" and either mail it to us, put it in the collection basket or bring it to the office. Thank you!

The **Baby Bank Campaign** has been moved to January. Baby Banks are available on the bulletin tables for you to pick up and take home. Put them in a prominent location in your home to remember to collect coins and pray for LIFE every day throughout the month of January. The money given will benefit Pro-Life efforts in our parish and apostolates within our diocese. Thank you, in advance, for promoting the sanctity of LIFE!

Notice: The annual January Fundraiser for the support of our Cemetery has been canceled for this year.

The **third annual Biblical Institute** will be held virtually Jan. 8-9. The topic will be the "St. Paul before the Gospel Narratives." How does St. Paul's theology and message stand alone from the four Gospels? The presenter will be Father Seán Charles Martin from the Diocese of Dallas. There will be one conference on Friday evening and two conferences on Saturday morning. The sessions will be recorded. The cost for the virtual workshop is \$55. To register or for more information, visit cedarbrake.org or call (254) 780-2436.

Online opportunity to write a will - 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.

Virtual Parent Information Sessions: January 15, 2021 (9:00 – 10:30 am) – St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School invites interested families to visit us from a distance! Attend via zoom one of our Virtual Parent Information Sessions to learn more about our school, take a virtual tour of our beautiful campus, and hear about our admission process. Reserve a spot for this virtual information session by visiting our website: saviochs.org> Admissions> Visit St. Dominic Savio or by contacting Holly Bologna, Director of Admissions at 512-388-8846 ext. 5504. Zoom meeting link will be sent once you have registered for a session.

Dear friends in Christ,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Are your Christmas lights still shining? The Christmas Season continues until Sunday, January 10, 2021, which is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Keeps those lights on until the end of the Christmas Season to give witness to the true Light of the world, Jesus Christ. Let your lights be an Epiphany of the Lord to those who see them.

The Christmas Season is quickly passing by. Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. Normally this Feast is celebrated on January 6 in most parts of the world. But we in the United States like everything to be convenient so we moved it to the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. Today we recall how the Three Wise Men, or, the Three Kings, or, the Three Magi, as we read in today's Gospel, followed the bright star that led them day and night to the place where Jesus, Mary and Joseph were staying in Bethlehem. Apparently after the birth of Jesus they moved into someone's house and stayed with them for some time until they were forced to get up and flee to Egypt as Herod would kill all the boys two years of age and younger in an attempt to kill Jesus. But, for now, on this Feast of Epiphany, we reflect on how Jesus is the true Light of the world and how people who are seeking truth and goodness are drawn to His Light. The magi bring Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Gold, a gift fit for a king. Frankincense, a gift offered to God. Myrrh, a gift used for anointing a body for burial. These three gifts are very important and help us to know more about Jesus and His mission in life. May we all be drawn to His Light and not be distracted by all the troubles and cares of this world.

It is the tradition that on the Feast of the Epiphany that we bless our homes by marking them with blessed chalk with the current year and the initials of the Three Wise Men -- Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. On the back of this bulletin you will find the blessing prayer and instructions on how to mark your homes. The marking of 20+C+M+B+21 signifies the asking of God's blessing on our home for the year 2021. As I mentioned, CMB are the initials of the Three Wise Men, KMB in Czech, and these letters also stand for the Latin phrase "Christus Mansionem Benedicat", which means "May Christ bless this dwelling". Mark your home above the front door so that all may know that your home is a Christian home.

K úvaze: Boží slovo o Slavnosti Zjevení Páně se zcela zaměřuje na Ježíše jako na Mesiáše, krále a spasitele všech národů. On nepřišel pouze pro izraelský národ, ale také pro pohany – pro celé lidstvo. Příchod mudrců od východu znamená počátek sjednocení národů, které bude plně dovršeno vírou v Ježíše, až všechny národy poznají, že jsou dětmi jediného Otce a navzájem si jsou bratry a sestrami. Mudrci jsou prvními posluchači a svědky Krista. Stojí v čele velkého množství "pravých Božích ctitelů", kteří budou duchovní sklizní mesiánské doby. Ježíš jako rozsévač přináší všem lidem dobré semeno Božího slova. Duch svatý způsobuje, že tato setba dozrává, a církev má v hojnosti sklízet plody této setby, kterou Ježíš zasel svým zjevením a oživil svou smrtí.

V Ježíši mohou všichni lidé najít pravou jednotu a objevit, že plnost života znamená dát se do služby Kristu a bližním. Našim posláním je tedy milovat a zůstávat v jednotě. (Pastorace.cz)

Fiesta de la Epifanía: Mientras continuamos con la Temporada Navideña, esta festividad nos ayuda a entender que Jesús es la Luz del mundo entero y su salvación es dada a toda la gente. Los magos de lugares lejanos confiaron en que Dios los guiaría hacia el nuevo Rey, a quien encontraron en muy humildes circunstancias, no en las de un Rey ¿Permitimos que Dios nos ayude a reconocer a Cristo en el rostro de las mujeres emigrantes y de los niños cruzando nuestras fronteras? ¿en la vida de los pobres? ¿en los pequeños niños no-natos? ¿en el prisionero condenado a muerte? ¿Dónde podemos buscar a Jesús esta semana?

May God bless all of you this year with a strong faith and with an awareness of His love for you.

Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář



January: Vocations

The theme for each month of this Year of the Domestic Church is:

December 2020 The Domestic Church January 2021 Vocations February 2021 Prayer at Home March 2021 Lent in the Domestic Church April 2021 Love Your Neighbors May 2021 Celebrating Parents June 2021 The Gift of Young People July 2021 We are God's Children August 2021 Eucharistic People September 2021 Family of Families October 2021 The Witness of Marriage November 2021 Season of Stewardship December 2021 Hail Mary, Full of Grace

JANUARY 2021: Throughout history, God has spoken to man. He spoke through Abraham, Moses and the prophets. God's Word became flesh in Jesus, and he continues to speak to us today through Scripture and the Tradition of the Church. God also speaks to each person through his or her vocation in life. Each person has a vocational calling. A person's vocation is the way in which he or she grows in holiness through service of God. Some people are called to marriage while others are called to the priesthood or religious life. Some people serve God in their single state of life. Regardless of a person's vocational calling, all of the faithful are called to serve God in charity and faithfulness. In his apostolic exhortation Ecclesia in America, Pope John Paul II said: "The word of God, faithfully read in the family, gradually builds it up as a domestic church and makes it fruitful in human and Christian virtues; it is there that the source of vocations is to be found." By remaining close to God's word in the Scriptures, families are able help each other discern God's voice in their own lives. In this way, families can support and nurture the vocation of its members as they help each other lead holy lives. What is a way that your family can share the Scriptures with each other? How can you support each family member's vocation?

Epiphany House Blessing

Using blessed chalk, mark the current year and the initials of the Magi above the outside doorways to your home. Place a cross in between each of the letters. It should look something like this.

20+C+M+B+21

After completing the above markings, pray the following prayer:

May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord of all people forever and ever. Amen.

The legendary names of the three Magi are: **Caspar, Melchior,** and **Balthasar.** (KMB in Czech) The initials C-M-B also stand for the Latin words "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" which means:

"May Christ bless this dwelling."

The markings over the doors should be left all year round as a sign that yours is a Christian home.