

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14, A.D. 2021

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Feb 13	5:00 PM	†Joe Janosec †Calvin Blackman Jr.
Sunday	Feb 14	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Pro Populo & For the Members & Mission of the Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas †Greg & Carol Maney, & †Isabel Hernandez Rivera
Tuesday	Feb 16	6:00 PM	†Jerry B. David †Benny Kubacak Al Kalinec (healing)
<b>Ash Wednesday Masses</b>			
Wednesday	Feb 17	7:00 AM 12 Noon 6:30 PM	†Jerome Lednický †Norman Dobias †Msgr. Emilián Foltýn
Thursday	Feb 18	7:00 AM	†LeRoy Tschoerner Lindsey Willbourn (for health & in thanksgiving)
Friday	Feb 19	6:00 PM	Richard Buchhorn & George Lacey (healing) †Anparo Velasquez Villena
Saturday	Feb 20	7:30 AM	†Norman Dobias Marshall, Brielle & Connor
Saturday	Feb 20	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Feb 21	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	Liv/Dec Members of the Hill, LaMaestra & Weiss Families †Richard Danek †Emil Sherek & †Bill Klepac

### Mass Ministry Schedule for Feb. 16 - 21

#### Tuesday, February 16, 6:00 PM:

**Altar Servers:** Leo Bringman  
**Lector:** Leo Bringman

#### Ash Wednesday, February 17

**7:00 AM:** **Altar Servers:** Jenna D. & (Volunteer)  
**Lector:** Pinto Nemeč  
**EMHC:** Leo Bringman  
**Head Usher:** Stephanie Wright

#### 12 Noon:

**Altar Servers:** Preston & Heather S.  
**Lector:** Kitzí Crawford  
**EMHC:** Jim Heuertz  
**Head Usher:** Donald Tschoerner

#### 6:30 PM:

**Altar Servers:** Caleb & Amy S.,  
Adelaide B.  
**Lector:** Louis Brousseau  
**EMHC:** Kelly Godfrey  
**Head Usher:** Frank Knapek

#### Thursday, February 18, 7:00 AM:

**Altar Server:** Leo Bringman  
**Lector:** Leo Bringman

**EMHC to Shut-Ins: February 21: Monica Sherek**

#### Friday, February 19, 6:00 PM:

**Altar Server:** Preston & Heather S.  
**Lector:** Kitzí Crawford

#### Saturday, February 20, 7:30 AM:

**Altar Server:** Leo Bringman  
**Lector:** Leo Bringman

#### Saturday, February 20, 5:00 PM

**Altar Servers:** Nathan & Lucas K.  
**Lector:** Lupe Bernal  
**EMHC:** Jim Heuertz  
**Head Usher:** Donald Tschoerner

#### Sunday, February 21, 8:30 AM:

**Altar Servers:** Caleb & Amy S., Martin O.  
**Lector:** Monica Sherek  
**EMHC:** Ray Nemeč  
**Head Usher:** Bill Sherek

#### Sunday, February 21, 10:30 AM:

**Altar Servers:** Jakob V., Jarrod & Abby H.  
**Lector:** Duane Blakeslee  
**EMHC:** Linda Allen  
**Head Usher:** Jeff Voigt

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**Hours:** Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

**Administrative Assistant:** Monica Snook 512-863-3020

**Bulletin Announcement Deadline:** Tuesdays @ 2:00 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

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**Cemetery Director:** Johnny Martinka 512-966-4301

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**Pro-Life Prayer Group:** Chris Garlasco 860-689-3021

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**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)

**February 6/7**

Weekly Collection: \$ 6,238.29

Online Donations: \$ 2,183.06

### Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Blessed Sacrament, with our Blessed Mother and with St. Joseph, are all placed in honor of our Czech Heritage.

No flowers needed during the Season of Lent and the beginning of Easter, February 17 – April 11.



**WE ASK THAT ALL WHO ATTEND MASS WEAR A MASK / FACE COVERING FOR THE HEALTH & SAFETY OF ALL PRESENT!**  
**We thank you, while our seating is limited, for moving, if possible, to make room for larger families that come in for Mass.**

We will have a **second collection** this weekend (February 13/14) for the **Catholic Higher Education** fund to support Campus Ministries within the Diocese of Austin, including communities at the University of Texas, Texas A&M University, Baylor University, Texas State University, Mary Hardin-Baylor, St. Edward's University and other smaller college campuses. The goals of Catholic campus ministry are to build a faith community, bring the message of Christ to the academic world and prepare future leaders of society and our Church.

**RCIA:** Class this Tuesday, February 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Discussion: Evening of Reflection. For more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or [hctdre@yahoo.com](mailto:hctdre@yahoo.com)).

**Fast and Abstinence During Lent:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence and Fridays are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding from age 14 onwards. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully, and to celebrate more readily, His Resurrection.

**Mark your calendars: Ash Wednesday Masses** (February 17) will be at 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 6:30 p.m. There will be a special collection for the **World & Home Missions** at these Masses, to support the Catholic Church abroad. This envelope is in your contribution envelope box. Please be generous. Also, during Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. (starting on February 24) and Mass for those Wednesdays will be at 7:00 a.m.



**NO Classes** this week (February 17) due to Ash Wednesday. Please attend Mass with your family! Classes will resume on Wednesday, February 24, from 6:15 – 8 pm. For information about our program, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042).

**Lent 2021:** Beginning on Ash Wednesday (February 17), tens of thousands will be joining together for "**Let Freedom Ring: A 40-Day Tactical Training for Freedom from the Devil.**" Through acts of reparation, fasting, penance, charity, and prayer (both personal and sacramental) we call upon the power of God to release ourselves, our families, our parishes, our dioceses, and our nation from all demonic influences and oppression. Order your "Let Freedom Ring" book at [RomanCatholicGear.com](http://RomanCatholicGear.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.

**EIM Refresher Course** - 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. 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](http://www.austindiocese.org/workshop) to complete the temporary online EIM training. For more information, call the parish office.

**St. Helen Catholic School** in Georgetown is currently enrolling for the 2021-2022 school year. Offering classes in PreK-4 through 8th Grade. Go online to [www.shclsions.org](http://www.shclsions.org) to schedule your personal tour or contact Maranda Nemeck at 512-868-0744 for more information. St. Helen Catholic School is conveniently located at 2700 E. University Ave., Georgetown, TX 78626

**Find your family's future at St. Mary's Catholic School!** St. Mary's Catholic School in Taylor cordially invites you to tour our school and our **website** to get to know our joyful family! With over 124 years of excellence in education, St. Mary's Catholic School educates students in the timeless wisdom of the classical Catholic intellectual tradition. St. Mary's provides PK3 - 11th grades with an active sacramental life, a fully accredited curriculum, competitive Athletics starting in 5-11th grades, Religion/Theology, Spanish, Latin, Art, Music/Handbell Choir, PE, and Tech/Formal Logic. Our After-school Enrichment classes provide extended learning opportunities for students, such as Guitar, Chess, Robotics, Legos, Recreational Sports, and Cooking (to name a few). Please contact Kim Bohac at 512-352-2313 ext. 2130 or go to our website at [www.stmarystaylor.org](http://www.stmarystaylor.org) for more information.

**Holy Trinity Fish Fry (Drive-Thru Only)** for the Lenten season will begin Friday, February 19, and every Friday during Lent. Join us for Mass at 6:00 p.m. and then enjoy a home-cooked meal. \$11.00 plates-to-go from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. (or until sold out). Proceeds will benefit our parish Building Fund Project. Thank you for your support!

**St. Dominic Savio – Virtual Parent Information Session** – February 24, 2021 (6:00 – 7:30 p.m.) St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School invites interested families to visit us from a distance! Attend via zoom 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](http://saviochs.org)>Admissions>.* For more information, contact Holly Bologna at 512-388-8846 ext. 5504. Zoom meeting link will be sent once you have registered for a session.

**HAVE YOU, OR HAS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, EXPERIENCED ABUSE?** Bishop Joe S. Vásquez and the Diocese of Austin are committed to providing compassionate care to persons who have experienced abuse, particularly if committed by clergy or a church representative. If you or someone you know have experienced such abuse, contact the diocesan Coordinator of Victim Assistance and Pastoral Support at [ileana-hinojosa@austindiocese.org](mailto:ileana-hinojosa@austindiocese.org) or (512) 949-2400. Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or to the Texas Abuse Hotline at [www.txabusehotline.org](http://www.txabusehotline.org) or (800) 252-5400 and to the diocese at [www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse](http://www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse) or (512) 949-2447.

**Dear friends in Christ,**

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **This Sunday, February 14, is the feast of Sts. Cyril and Methodius.** We will not be having our annual celebration this year, but we will have some hymns in the Czech language at the 8:30 am Mass. I will also celebrate part of the Mass in Czech as well. The readings and the Mass responses will be in English. This Mass is being celebrated for the living and deceased benefactors and for the mission of the **Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas**. The mission of the 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 Czech Catholics of the ancestral homeland evangelized by SS Cyril and Methodius." The CCFT was inaugurated one year ago on February 14, 2020, at a Mass celebrated at Ss. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in Dubina, Texas. More information can be found on at their website at [www.czechcatholicfoundation.org](http://www.czechcatholicfoundation.org).

This Tuesday, February 16, we will be having an **Evening of Refection** on the Season of Lent following the 6:00 pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

This week we will celebrate **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of the holy season of Lent. **Please remember that Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence. No meat is to be eaten and you should eat as little as possible. No candy or other sweets and no lavish dinners.** Mass on Ash Wednesday will be at 7:00 am, 12 Noon, 6:30 pm. Please plan on attending Mass with your family.

During the Lenten season we as Catholics pray the Stations of the Cross every week, usually on Wednesday or Friday, as we meditate on Jesus being arrested in the Garden, brought before Pilate, scourged, crowned with thorns, carrying His cross, being crucified and then buried. By meditating on these last events of Jesus' life we come to have a greater appreciation of the Resurrection of our Lord from the dead so that we can truly celebrate and live the meaning of Easter in our lives each day. We will be having **Stations of the Cross every Wednesday, beginning on February 24, at 6:30 pm.**

In today's Gospel "A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, 'If you wish, you can make me clean.'" Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean.' The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean." Do you ever ask Jesus to make you clean? The rules for those with leprosy were very serious as we hear in today's first reading from the Book of Leviticus. "The one who bears the sore of leprosy shall keep his garments rent and his head bare and shall muffle his beard; he shall cry out, 'Unclean, unclean!' ...He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp." Every time we commit a sin, we stain our souls and need to be made clean by Jesus. If the sin is serious, we cast ourselves "outside the camp" and cannot receive the Sacraments of the Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick. We are made clean by going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation where Jesus washes our soul and strengthens us so we can better avoid sin. If all of us were asking Jesus to make us clean, then there would be a long line at the confessional. But this does not seem to be the case. If you are serious about cleansing your soul and walking as a disciple of Jesus, then you would be going to confession regularly. Pray for the same courage the leper had in approaching Jesus to be made clean. He could have gotten into big trouble for going to Jesus, but he took the risk and was healed. Let us also take the risk and put our fears aside and ask Jesus to cleanse our soul with His healing grace.

**K úvaze:** Ježíšův mocný čin je především znamením. Ježíš vnáší život tam, kde je smrt. Pohlčuje smrt nejen v jejich projevech vnějších, ale i vnitřních: sebeodmitání, narušené vztahy, pocit zmařeného a zbytečného života, nedocenění, ba dokonce odmítnutí ve společenství (ve farnosti?). Ježíš uzdravuje někdy ihned, někdy ale také postupně. Nejčastěji zakoušíme jeho uzdravující doteky v delším období, v procesu postupné rehabilitace (společenské) a rekonstrukce (poničeného obrazu sebe sama, pokřiveného vztahu k sobě i k druhým – ale i k Otcí!). (Pastorace.cz)

**Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario:** En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús continúa su ministerio sanador curando a un leproso ¿Quiénes son aquellos que en nuestra sociedad consideramos "impuros" en la actualidad? ¿Quiénes son aquellos que deben permanecer separados de la comunidad? Puede que sea aquellos que están saliendo de la cárcel, o aquellos sufriendo por una enfermedad mental. Puede que estén sufriendo por una enfermedad que nosotros tememos – como el Ébola o el SIDA. Puede que sean inmigrantes indocumentados que temen que sus familias puedan ser deportadas y rotas. Puede que sean los pobres luchando por salir adelante ¿Cómo podemos continuar con el ministerio de Jesús hoy acercándonos a aquellos que se sienten rechazados y alejados de la sociedad?

May all of you have a most blessed week and a blessed beginning to this Lenten Season.

**Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář**



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

Prayer for the Diocese of Austin Year of the Domestic Church

*O God, creator of all, you ordered the earth to bring forth life and crowned its goodness by creating the human family. In history's moment when all was ready, you sent your Son to dwell in time, "practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity." Teach us the sanctity of human love; show us the value of the Domestic Church; and help us to live in peace with all people, that we may share in your life forever. With the intercession of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, we ask this through Christ the Lord. Amen.*

Prayer to Saint Joseph

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness. As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. **Amen.**



## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday marks the official beginning of Lent, a season of prayer and fasting. On Ash Wednesday we are signed with a cross for we live under that sign and in that sign. In Sacred Scripture we find that ashes were used by the people for various rituals. They were also used as a sign for purification as seen in Numbers 19:1-10 and Hebrews 9:13. They were also a symbol of mourning as seen in 2 Samuel 13:19, Esther 4:1-3, and 1 Maccabees 4:39. They were used as a sign of repentance in Job 42:6, Matthew 11:21, and Daniel 9:3. Sometimes they were sprinkled on one's head or the person sat in the ashes. Today, we place ashes on our foreheads as a sign of repentance, of our willingness to turn from sin. However, this year Rome has asked that we sprinkle the ashes on the top of the head. This was the common practice in Old Testament times and also it is the common practice in many other countries of the world today. This year we are asked to do this because of the Coronavirus pandemic. When the priest, deacon, or lay ministers put the ashes on the person's head he says one of the following formulas: *"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel"* or he says *"Remember, you are dust, and to dust you will return."* Both of these encourage us to reform our lives and to do better in living out our life in Jesus Christ. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence, eating less and not eating any meat.



**Lent** is the forty-day period of fasting and prayer that Christians observe in preparation for the celebration of Easter. For the first three centuries of Christianity the period of fasting before Easter varied from a few days to a week. However, the Council of Nicaea in the year 325 mentioned a period of forty days of preparation, and by the end of the fourth century, a forty-day fast before Easter was commonly observed in both the East and the West. This Lenten fast may have been begun by the forty-day fast mandated for the candidates preparing for baptism at Easter, and the number forty may have its origins in the forty-day fast observed by Moses, Elijah, and Jesus.

The emphasis of fasting is for our spiritual preparation for the paschal mystery of Easter. There are three aspects to the season of Lent and they are prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Increased prayer helps us to grow in our relationship with Jesus, fasting helps us to gain a spiritual hunger for our Lord and helps us to gain self-control of our appetites and desires, and almsgiving helps us in our need to live as Jesus did in service to other people. These help to prepare the Christian to celebrate the resurrection of the Lord. Lent helps to remind Christians of their sinfulness and the need to return to their baptismal innocence.

During the Lenten season we as Catholics pray the Stations of the Cross every week as we meditate on Jesus being arrested in the Garden, brought before Pilate, scourged, crowned with thorns, carrying His cross, being crucified and then buried. By meditating on these last events of Jesus' life we come to have a greater appreciation of the Resurrection of our Lord from the dead so that we can truly celebrate Easter with abundant joy.

**Date of Easter:** In the year 325 the Council of Nicaea decreed that Easter should be observed on the first Sunday following the first full moon of spring. The date can vary within a four week period depending on when the first full moon of spring occurs. So, depending on when the full moon occurs after the Spring Equinox, the date of Easter could be anytime between March 22 and April 25.