

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
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Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin

First Sunday of Lent February 21, A.D. 2021

Mass Schedule & Intentions

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| Saturday | Feb 20 | 5:00 PM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Feb 21 | 8:30 AM | Liv/Dec Members of the Hill, LaMaestra & Weiss Families †Richard Danek |
| | | 10:30 AM | †Emil Sherek & †Bill Klepac |
| Tuesday | Feb 23 | 6:00 PM | †Roseller Miranda Darlene Lesley Virgil Tonn (healing) |
| Wednesday | Feb 24 | 7:00 AM | †Johnnie Simek †Marie Niemerg Al Kalinec (spiritual health) |
| Thursday | Feb 25 | 7:00 AM | †Msgr. Gideon Stram †Albina Teltow |
| Friday | Feb 26 | 6:00 PM | †Annie Mae Janish †Lorena Canik |
| Saturday | Feb 27 | 7:30 AM | †Cyril & Margaret Kohoutek †Jimmie Lee Laffere |
| Saturday | Feb 27 | 5:00 PM | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Feb 28 | 8:30 AM | †Merlene Turman †Willie & Albina Beyer |
| | | 10:30 AM | †Rosemary Waltman & †Jeffrey Waltman-Gomez Liv/Dec Members of Catholic Life Ins., Branch 50 |

Mass Ministry Schedule for Feb. 23 - 28

Tuesday, February 23, 6:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Brousseau
Lector: Louis Brousseau

Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 AM:

Altar Servers: Leo Bringman
Lector: Leo Bringman

Wednesday, February 24, 6:30 PM:

Stations of the Cross
Altar Servers: Samuel W., Snooks

Thursday, February 25, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman
Lector: Kitz Crawford

Friday, February 26, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server: Pinto Nemece
Lector: Pinto Nemece

Saturday, February 27, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemece
Lector: Janine Nemece

Saturday, February 27, 5:00 PM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S.
Lector: Lupe Bernal
EMHC: Brandi Bernal
Head Usher: Matt Mertink

Sunday, February 28, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy S., Martin O.
Lector: Chris Stefek
EMHC: James Nemece
Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Sunday, February 28, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Jakob V., Abby & Isabella H.
Lector: Kitz Crawford
EMHC: Daniel Perez
Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

EMHC to Shut-Ins: February 28: Ray Nemece

✠ Fr. Stephen Nesrsta ✠

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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

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

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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 Nemece 254-527-3615

Religious Articles: Louise Straka 512-746-5322

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

KJZT Society #15: Belinda Beyer 254-527-3657

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

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemece 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 13/14

Weekly Collection: \$ 1,388.00

Online Donations: \$ 1,051.50

Catholic Higher Education: \$ 359.00

Altar Flowers

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



Prayer for Lent

Stay with me, Lord, because I am weak
and I need your strength.
You are my life and without you,
I am without fervor.
You are my light and without you,
I am in darkness.
Stay with me, Lord, for I desire to
love you and always be in your company.
Stay with me, Jesus, for in life,
with all its dangers, I need you.
Amen

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.

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.

During the Lenten season, help to support missionary efforts in and outside of the Diocese of Austin by participating in the **Ashes to Easter** program. Pick up a box from the bulletin tables and place it in a prominent place in your home where you will remember to pray daily for the missions and drop in your spare change. You will then return your boxes at Easter. Thank you, in advance, for your participation and generosity.

Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Update for our parish: We had a CSA pledge goal in 2020 of \$23,500. As of 1/05/2021, we have received \$26,574.00. We very much appreciate all who have given and ask that, if you have not, please prayerfully consider doing so. Thank you.

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, February 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Bldg. Discussion: The Mystery of Suffering. For more information, please contact Lucille D’Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).



Classes this Wednesday, February 24, 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.

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.

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 **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will meet next **Sunday, February 28**, in the RE Bldg immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend. **Reminder:** annual dues (\$10) for 2021 are now due and can be given/mailed to the treasurer, Louise Straka (212 W. Avenue I, Jarrell, TX 76537).

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 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.shcsllions.org to schedule your personal tour or contact Maranda Nemecek 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 for more information.

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>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 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 or (800) 252-5400 and to the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.

Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. Well, what an unusual winter this has been. We are reminded how thankful we should be to have electricity and running water. We should never take the comforts of life for granted but should give thanks to God for them. Without these comforts, life is difficult. Let us see how blessed we really are.

This past Wednesday we began this Holy Season of Lent. As we live the Season of Lent, we may want to see how this holy season can strengthen our family life. Think of ways in which you can celebrate this season as a family...i.e., pray together at home as a family, attend Mass on the weekend, and when possible, during the week as a family, attend Stations of the Cross as a family, read the Bible together as a family, go to confession together as a family, read the daily readings and reflect on them together as a family. I am sure there are many things you can do as a family to make this season more meaningful to you. Going to Stations of the Cross should be one of the most important spiritual exercises that you do during this Season of Lent. **We are having Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays**, as usual, with all the Religious Education Students to help them to appreciate the importance of this devotion. I would like to invite all the parents to be present for the Stations of the Cross to support your children and to support one another in this Lenten Season.

Today's first reading from Genesis speaks of a new beginning, a new covenant that God made with Noah and his sons after the disastrous flood. The first covenant had been shattered by human sinfulness. God was grieved by the sinfulness of the people and the flood was seen as His divine reaction. But there was a note of hope in all this because Noah found favor with God. It is God who comes to Noah and his family and forms a new covenant with them and their descendants. God is saying to Noah and to us, "let us forget the past, we will begin anew with peace between Me and all of creation." The rainbow will be the sign of this newness.

Let us also forget the past and begin anew. This is precisely what happens when we go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, when we go to confession. A new beginning is possible because God is helping us. Christ has given us all that we need to turn to Him: The Sacrament of Reconciliation to reconcile us, to forgive our sins; His Body and Blood in Holy Communion to strengthen us; the Inspired Word of God in the Bible to motivate us; His Church to direct and support us; and most of all His love, strength and mercy as shown to us by the Crucifix. God seeks us out to help us have a new beginning.

The Gospel today tells us of Jesus' forty days in the desert. This forty-day period of Christ, fasting and praying in the desert, is the origin of our forty-day Lenten season. The Gospel today also mentions Christ's appearance in Galilee and the beginning of His preaching. This too, was a new beginning for the people. "The kingdom of God is at hand! Repent, and believe in the gospel." Let us repent and reform our lives and make a new beginning this Lent. Put the past behind us and begin anew. That is what Lent is all about.

K ZAMYŠLENÍ: Velké téma křesťanství se týká lidského hříchu. Hřích označuje každou situaci, kdy nejednáme v souladu s Boží vůlí. Člověk byl na počátku pozván do důvěrné blízkosti Boha, ale nedokázal odolat pokušení jít vlastní cestou. Příběh o potopě zobrazuje nejen skutečnost lidské svévole znamenající totální smrt vyjádřenou potopou, ale také Boží touhu dovést celé stvoření k životu. Bůh mnohokrát v dějinách přetrpěl lidské odmítnutí. Nyní přichází Kristus, který svojí poslušností zahladí propast mezi člověkem a Bohem. Nás zve, abychom Boha přijali a neodmítli.

Primer Domingo de Cuaresma: Esta temporada de Cuaresma comienza con las imágenes contrastantes del desierto y la inundación. Vivimos en la paradoja de estas imágenes, necesitando entrar en el desierto para ayunar, orar y auto-negarnos para re-aprender la vida del pacto con Dios en la que entramos a través de las aguas del bautismo. Ahora es el momento de alejarnos de la inundación de las distracciones que pueden ahogarnos. Ahora es el momento de recordar y reverenciar nuestra dignidad y la dignidad de cada ser humano. Ahora es el momento de dejar a un lado todo aquellos que nos desvía de nuestra verdadera hambre y sed de Dios y de su pacto de amor con toda la humanidad.

May the Lord bless you all with a spiritually renewing Season of Lent.

In Christ,
Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, 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 is integral for a life of faith. It is through prayer that we are able to approach the Lord with whatever gratitude, burdens or petitions are on our hearts. Christ himself taught us how to pray. In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus teaches us to call God "father", and in Luke 11: 2-4, we see the familiar prayer that we say at Mass: the "Our Father". In prayer, we approach the living God, our father, who calls us into relationship with him. As his children, our relationship with God grows and changes as we do. For this reason, from the time children are small, we teach them to pray with simple prayers and petitions. As people grow, their prayer life changes and deepens as their relationship with the Lord deepens. Children look to their parents and loved ones as examples of how to live and express their faith. Praying together as a family also strengthens the relationships within the family and allows the family to grown in faith together. Does your family pray together? What is one simple way that you can increase the prayer time with your family or those living in your household?

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Drive Thru Only

**Every Friday during Lent
February 26, 2021 – March 26, 2021**

From 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (or until sold out)

Parish Activity Center (PAC)

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\$11.00 plates to go

Proceeds to benefit the Building Fund Project

Thank you for your support!