# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



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Bishop Joe Vásquez Diocese of Austin

## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

### June 6, A.D. 2021

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	June 5	5:00 PM	†Pete & Eleanora Schwertner, †Johnnie Simek, †Msgr. Gideon Stram	
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo	
Sunday	June 6	10:30 AM	†Randy & Margie Havelka, †Rex Palousek, George Maney	
Tuesday	June 8	6:00 PM	†Jeffrey Waltman-Gomez, †Virgil Tonn, †Benny Kubacak	
Wednesday	June 9	6:30 PM	†Richard Danek, Patricia Graham, Bishop Joseph Strickland	
Thursday	June 10	7:00 AM	†Gary Wood, †Calvin Blackman, Jr., For All Priests	
Friday	June 11	6:00 PM	†Cyril & Margaret Kohoutek, The Matusiewicz Family, Samuel & Karen James (spiritual healing),	
Saturday	June 12	7:30 AM	†Joe & Anne Krejci, Craig & Krystle, Intentions of Fr. Kyle Nesrsta	
Saturday	June 12	5:00 PM	†Hubert Klepac, Larry Janousek Jr. (healing), Liv/Dec Members of Joseph & Marie Valenta Family	
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo	
Sunday	June 13	10:30 AM	†LeRoy Tschoerner, †Hubert Klepac, Liv/Dec Members of John & Annie Valis Family	

## Mass Ministry Schedule for June 8 - 13

Tuesday, June 8, 6:00 PM: Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S. Lector: Laura Hill

Wednesday, June 9, 6:30 PM: Altar Server: Leo Bringman Lector: Leo Bringman

Thursday, June 10, 7:00 AM: Altar Server: Leo Bringman Lector: Laura Hill

Friday, June 11, 6:00 PM: Altar Server: Preston & Heather S. Lector: Kitzi Crawford

Saturday, June 12, 7:30 AM: Altar Server: James Nemec Lector: Janine Nemec

Saturday, June 12, 5:00 PM: Altar Servers: Seminarians Lector: Seminarians EMHC: Seminarians Gift Bearers: Barker Family Head Usher: Frank Knapek Sunday, June 13, 8:30 AM: Altar Servers: Seminarians Lector: Seminarians EMHC: Seminarians Gift Bearers: Ray & Teresa Nemec Head Usher: AJ Batla

Sunday, June 13, 10:30 AM: Altar Servers: Seminarians Lector: Seminarians EMHC: Seminarians Gift Bearers: Voigt Family Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

#### EMHC to Shut-Ins: June 13: Ray Nemec

Rosary for Life Open to all parishioners. To sign-up, call the parish office.

June 5 - 12: Janet Havelka June 12 - 19: Janine Nemec

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign Open to all parishioners. To sign-up, call the parish office.

June 5 - 12: Helen Havelka June 12 - 19: Frank & Lucille D'Elia

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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: Scott Templeton 512-845-0221 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 KJZT Society #15: Belinda Beyer 254-527-3657 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 questions and requirements (737-215-1042)

## Last Week's Collection(s)

May 29/30 Weekly Collection: \$ 6,203.00 Online Donations: \$ 892.75

## 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).

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the church from 3:00 - 9:00 p.m.

## Holy Hour of Reparation

Every Monday in the church starting 10:00 a.m.



Everyone is invited to join in our annual **Corpus Christi Procession** after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> Mass – Weather Permitting! If raining, we will have the procession in the church.

June 6 Fundraiser - Please join us for our DRIVE-THRU ONLY meal this Sunday, 11 a.m. to 1 pm. or until sold out. Our meal of Corn Hill Fried Chicken & Sausage with homemade dressing, noodles and all the trimmings, will be sold for \$11 a plate. Thank you to all who are preparing and serving the meal. We will also have cakes available for \$5. Thank you to our bakers for providing the cakes. If you would like to donate to help offset the cost of the groceries and supplies, you may do so using the provided envelopes by the bulletins. God bless you all for your service and generosity.

Thank you to all who enrolled their loved ones and friends in the CEF Mother's Day Drive. A total of \$548.00 was collected!

Seminarians with the Parish Mission Team will be visiting our parish June 12 – 20 to pray with parishioners, give house blessings, and hold spiritual conferences. They will be serving at Masses both weekends they are here, so please say hello to them! The seminarians will also be giving a spiritual conference on Wednesday, June 16 after the 6:00 p.m. Mass and a short reflection during Adoration on Thursday, June 17 at 7:00 p.m. You can sign up for the seminarians to come and bless your home at this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/9GDBasevgKw3q7gt8">https://forms.gle/9GDBasevgKw3q7gt8</a>

If you would like to donate toward our Father's Day Altar Flowers, in honor or memory of your father (or other loved ones), you may do so by completing and returning a "Father's Day Mass Remembrance" envelope (by the bulletins). Please make sure you mark living or deceased and print clearly! Envelopes should be turned in by Sunday, June 13, for the June 20 bulletin.

Our annual **Father's Day CEF** enrollment drive will be held in the foyer of the church after the weekend Masses of June 12/13 and June 19/20. Enrollments are Spiritual Bouquet Gifts you may wish to give to any living or deceased fathers, grandfathers, sons, etc. Enrollments for other occasions/persons can also be made at this time. The usual offering is \$2 per person, per card. Donations benefit the education of our diocesan seminarians.

The **71**<sup>st</sup> **Annual Austin DCCW Convention** will be held at the parish hall of St. Luke Catholic Church in Temple, Texas on June 28-29, 2021. The convention theme is: "Joyfully Caring for God's Creation" and all ladies of the Diocese of Austin are invited to attend. Parish ladies interested in attending may contact Lucille Nemec (254-527-3615) for more information and for registration forms. Advance registration is requested by June 14, 2021.

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Alliance for Life's Walk for Life will take place in Georgetown on Saturday, June 19, 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. The walk-a-thon is for the entire family! Walk with us at San Gabriel Park to promote the sanctity of innocent human life and raise funds for programs that protect mothers, unborn babies, and pregnancy resource centers. To register as a walker and start getting pledges, please visit: <u>www.texasallianceforlife.org</u> or call 512-477-1244.

Looking for local, fresh veggies?? You can find them at the Farmer's Market, at the Moravian Hall, every Wednesday from 5 – 7 p.m. For questions and more information, contact Doc Mirtsching (512-789-4200).



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!

The Diocese of Austin invites young men in high school for a weekend retreat, **Quo Vadis**, June 25-27 at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. Join our Vocation Director, Fr. Greg Gerhart for a fun retreat as we seek to know our calling as Christian men. To learn more and register, visit <a href="https://qv.godiscalling.me">https://qv.godiscalling.me</a>.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or "RCIA" is a process for welcoming new members into the Roman Catholic Church. It is a 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. Our RCIA team is always ready to help you begin your journey. If you have any questions or would like any other information, please contact our Faith Formation Office at 737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com.



This summer why not take a little time and join us for "Lunch with the Lord", our Summer Bible Study. Now that we are all returning to in-person Mass it is a wonderful opportunity to learn more and understand the meaning behind the parts of the Mass. In his video-based study A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, Dr. Edward Sri explores the roots of the words and gestures we experience at Mass and explains their profound significance. In this study, you will come to know and understand the Mass as never before, leading you to a richer, more fruitful worship experience. Join us here at Holy Trinity for A Biblical Walk Through the Mass beginning Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 PM and continuing every Tuesday for six weeks. Feel free to bring your lunch and we will provide drinks and dessert. To register please contact our Faith Formation office at 737-215-1042 or htcdr@yahoo.com.

#### Dear friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! We welcome all of our visitors who are with us this Sunday for our June Fundraiser. May you experience the presence and love of Jesus Christ during this Mass. Thank you for joining us and for coming to our drive-thru dinner today.

As I mentioned at Mass a couple of weeks ago the building project cost are now beyond our budget. We have let go of our contractor and have put the bid out to two other contractors. The project is being rescaled to meet our budget while still meeting the needs and purpose of the original plan. More information will be available when a new contractor is chosen and we have agreed upon the work to be completed. In the meantime it is important that the contributions to the Building Fund continue to increase so that future work can be done without having to borrow so much money. The less we have to borrow, the more we save. Thank you to all of you who are making monthly contributions to the Building Fund.

Next weekend four seminarians will be here from the Diocese of Austin: Chris Haberberger, Cameron Kologinczak, Brian McNaughton and William Stivers. They will be here for about 10 days. See their note in today's bulletin for what they have planned for us while they are here.

Many people are beginning their summer vacations. Always remember to take a nice set of clothes along with you so that you will be properly dressed for Mass wherever you go. Please do not attend Mass in shorts if you are more than 6 years of age. Check ahead of time to locate the Catholic Church and find out the Mass times so that you will be on time for Mass. You can find the Mass times for almost every parish by going to www.masstimes.org or by using their App on your smartphone. It is important that we do not neglect our worship of God and that we keep His Commandment to keep Holy the Sabbath Day.

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Since the time of the Apostles the Church has believed and taught that Jesus is present, body and blood, soul and divinity, in the Holy Communion that we receive at Mass. The bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus during the consecration in the Eucharistic Prayer. The appearance remains the same, but the substance changes. This is not a symbolic presence, but, it is the REAL PRESENCE of Jesus. That is why we take such care of the Blessed Sacrament, the Eucharist, and offer to the Real Presence of Jesus our Adoration and Praise. That is why we have our annual Corpus Christi Procession to give a more public sign of our belief in this Real Presence. The early Church Fathers wrote about this presence, as did St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 10:16–17, 11:23–29). May we all be careful of how we speak about the Holy Communion that we receive at Mass. We should speak of it as the Body of Christ and the Blood of Christ, not bread and wine. We pray that one day all Christians will once again believe what the Apostles and the early Church believed about Jesus' Real Presence in Holy Communion.

**Promluva na Slavnost Těla a Krve Páně:** "A řekl jim: ,Toto je má krev, která zpečeťuje smlouvu a prolévá se za mnohé" (Mk 14,24). Když chodím dávat krev a dívám se na vak, který se v několika málo minutách zaplní mou krví, napadají mne podobná slova: Toto je moje krev. Prolévá se za někoho, koho ani neznám. Zaslouží si to ten člověk? Nebo moje krev bude prolita nadarmo? Určitě bude můj dar potřebovat. Také se modlím za ty, kteří mohli být díky daru mé krve zachráněni.

Pán Ježíš učinil něco podobného, ale s tím rozdílem, že dárcovství krve je takovým pokojným způsobem, jak se obětovat. Díky Boží moci Ježíš přislíbil, že pokrm a nápoj, který dnes pokládáme na oltář, mocí Ducha svatého, promění svou podstatu. Stanou se Tělem a Krví. Ježíš nás sice jako člověk nepotkal, nepotřásl si naší pravicí, nebyl v našem domě, nenaslouchal našim slovům, ale jako ten, který je po pravici Nebeského Otce ano. On nás zná, on ví, že hladovíme, že ztrácíme orientaci, že umíráme. A proto znovu i dnes se nám dává jako Zachránce – Spasitel.

Budeme hledět do misky a kalicha a budeme konstatovat: Toto je Ježíšovo tělo, toto je jeho krev. Dar pro mne. Nepřijme s užitkem ten, v kom se tento dar nestane začátkem rozhovoru. Odpověď na dar je vděčnost, rozhodnutí, další obdarování. (Pastorace.cz)

Fiesta del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo: En el corazón de esta gran celebración se encuentra la realidad de ¡la entrega total de si mismo de Cristo hacia nosotros! Cristo no sólo dio su vida en la cruz para nuestra salvación, pero continúa dándose a si mismo completamente en la Eucaristía. Esta festividad también es un recordatorio de que a través de Cristo estamos íntimamente conectados unos a otros como miembros de su Cuerpo. Si Cristo está dispuesto a darse a si mismo a todos nosotros, santos y pecadores ¿Qué sacrificios por los demás estamos dispuestos a hacer? ¿Estamos dispuestos a darnos a nosotros mismos por aquellos necesitados: los pobres, los prisioneros, los nonatos, los emigrantes indocumentados, los refugiados, los extraños sin hogar?

May all of you have a most blessed week.

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.

Young people are a gift from God. The Gospel of Matthew demonstrates the special place that young people have with God. It says: "Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these (Mat. 19:13-15)." Children contribute to the good of the family. They bring love and vitality to their families, as well as grow in and share

faith with their families. They also learn Christian discipleship from their parents and contribute to helping their parents grow in holiness through mutual affection, love and forgiveness (cf. CCC 2225-2229). As children grow into youth and young adulthood, they grow in faith according to their various stages in life, and are called to share in Christ's mission at each stage. In his Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit, Pope Francis states: "Filled with the love of Christ, young people are called to be witnesses of the Gospel wherever they find themselves, by the way they live (CV 175)." We can look to the lives of young people as examples of what it means to rely on our parents for our basic needs. As children of God, we rely on the love and mercy of our heavenly father as we grow in holiness throughout our lives. In what ways is God a father to you?



# The Eucharist: Corpus Christi?

The Catholic Church teaches the doctrine of *transubstantiation*, namely that, in the Eucharist, the communion wafer and the altar wine are transformed and really become the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Have you ever met anyone who has found this Catholic doctrine to be a bit hard to take?

If so, you shouldn't be surprised. When Jesus spoke about eating his flesh and drinking his blood in John 6, his words met with a less than enthusiastic reception. How can this man give us his flesh to eat? (V 52). This is a hard saying...who can listen to it? (V60). In fact, so many of his disciples abandoned him over this, that Jesus had to ask the twelve if they also planned to quit. It is interesting that Jesus did not run after his disciples saying, don't go, I was just speaking metaphorically!

How did the early Church interpret these challenging words of Jesus? Interesting fact...one charge the pagan Romans lodged against the Christians was cannibalism. Why? You guessed it. They heard that this sect regularly met to eat and drink human blood. Did the early Christians say: wait a minute, it's only a symbol!? Not at all.

When trying to explain the Eucharist to the Roman Emperor around 155 AD, St. Justin did not mince his words: "For we do not receive these things as common bread or common drink; but as Jesus Christ our Savior, being incarnate by God's word, took flesh and blood for our salvation, so also we have been taught that the food consecrated by the word of prayer, which comes from him, is the flesh and blood of that incarnate Jesus."

Not many Christians questioned the real presence of Christ's body and blood in the Eucharist until the Middle Ages. In trying to explain how bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Christ, several theologians went astray and needed to be corrected by Church authority. Then St. Thomas Aquinas came along and offered an explanation that became classic. In all change that we observe in this life, he teaches, appearances may change, but, deep down, the essence of a thing stays the same.

Example: if, in a fit of mid-life crisis, I traded my mini-van for a Ferrari, got tanned, bleached my hair blonde, spiked it, buffed up at the gym, and took a trip to the plastic surgeon, I'd look a lot different on the surface. But for all my trouble, deep down, I'd still substantially be the same old baby boomer.

St. Thomas said the Eucharist is the one instance of change we encounter in this world that is exactly the opposite. The appearances of bread and wine stay the same, but the very essence or substance of these realities, which cannot be detected by a microscope, is totally transformed. What was once bread and wine are now Christ's body and blood. A handy word was coined to describe this unique change. Transformation of the sub-stance, what stands-under the surface, came to be called transubstantiation.

What makes this happen? The power of God's Spirit and Word. After praying for the Spirit to come (epiklesis), the priest, who stands in the place of Christ, repeats the words of the God-man: This is my Body, This is my Blood. Sounds to me like Genesis 1: the mighty wind (read Spirit) whips over the surface of the water and God's Word resounds. Let there be light and there was light. It is no harder to believe in transubstantiation than to believe in Creation.

But why did Jesus arrange for this transformation of bread and wine? Because he intended another kind of transformation. The bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ which are, in turn, meant to transform us. Ever hear the phrase: you are what you eat? The Lord desires us to be transformed from a motley crew of imperfect individuals into the Body of Christ, come to full stature.

Our evangelical brethren often speak of an intimate, personal relationship with Jesus. But I ask you, how much more personal and intimate can you get? We receive the Lord's body into our physical bodies that we may become him whom we receive!

Such an awesome gift deserves its own feast. And that's why, back in the days of Thomas Aquinas and St. Francis of Assisi, the Pope decided to institute the Feast of Corpus Christi.