

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



First Sunday of Advent
November 28, A.D. 2021



Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Nov 27	5:00 PM	Rebecca Hine (healing), †Johnnie Simek, Larry & Carol Janousek (59 th Wedding Anniversary)
Sunday	Nov 28	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Conrad Otsuka, †Frank Rodriguez, †Gene & Dorothy Friesenhahn
Tuesday	Nov 30	6:00 PM	†Sherry Wrzensinski †Jerry Bilicek Sr., †Jerry White
Wednesday	Dec 1	6:30 AM	Alice Thomas (in thanksgiving), †Doris Nesrsta, †Patrick Vrabel
Thursday	Dec 2	7:00 AM	Robichau Family, †Calvin Blackman, Jr., †Frankie & Dolores Viktorin
First Friday	Dec 3	7:00 AM	Frances Stenicka, Michael Borne, †Otto & Albina Teltow
First Saturday	Dec 4	7:30 AM	†Tommie Rose Martine, †Virginia & William McMaster, †John & Betty Emge
Saturday	Dec 4	5:00 PM	†Virgil Tonn, †Norma Klaus, †Frank & Gertrude Krenek
Sunday	Dec 5	8:30 AM	†Kasi & Braize Staab (spiritual healing), †Norman Dobias, †Richard Monninger
		10:30 AM	Pro Populo

Ministry Schedule for November 30 – December 5

Tuesday, November 30, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman

Lector: Leo Bringman

Wednesday, December 1, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Adelaide B., Michael B., William W.

Lector: Adelaide Brousseau

Gift Bearers: CCE students

Thursday, December 2, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Leo Bringman

Lector: Leo Bringman

First Friday, December 3, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Pinto Nemeč

Lector: Pinto Nemeč

First Saturday, December 4, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemeč

Lector: Janine Nemeč

EMHC to Shut-Ins: December 5: James Nemeč

Saturday, December 4, 5:00 PM:

Altar Server: Carter M.

Lector: Jennifer Marquis

EMHC: Deacon

Gift Bearers: Clawson Family

Head Usher: Stephanie Wright

Sunday, December 5, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Caleb & Amy S., Lucas B.

Lector: Caleb Stefek

EMHC: Deacon

Gift Bearers: Tommy & Cindy Sladeczek

Head Usher: Tommy Sladeczek

Sunday, December 5, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Samuel W., Martin O.

Lector: Denise Sellers

EMHC: Deacon

Gift Bearers: Daniel & Hilda Perez

Head Usher: Frank Knapek

Rosary for Life

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

Nov 28 – Dec 5: Mike & Janine Nemeč

Dec 5 – Dec 12: Frankie & Betty Ann Vrabel

Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

Nov 28 - Dec 5: Helen Havelka

Dec 5 - Dec 12: Frank & Lucille D'Elia

✠ Fr. Stephen Nesrsta ✠

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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

Cemetery Maintenance: Scott Templeton 512-845-0221

Music Ministry / Choir: Ronnie Simek 512-630-5074

Finance Council: Tommy Sladeczek 512-635-3496

Pastoral Council: Stephanie Wright 512-470-5204

Pro-Life Prayer Group: Laura Hill 512-948-6027

Knights of Columbus: Josh Jacobs 612-212-9624

Conf. of Christian Mothers: Kitzu Crawford 512-635-5967

Religious Articles: Louise Straka 512-746-5322

CEF Enrollments: Janine Nemeč 512-289-9242

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

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)

November 20/21

Weekly Collection: \$ 6,483.00

Online Donations: \$ 2,024.10

Catholic Campaign: \$ 1,223.50

Altar Flowers

The flowers at the Blessed Sacrament are placed in honor of our

Holy Trinity parish families

and are donated by the Gene & Deanna Fojtik Family.

Reminder: No flowers are needed during the Advent or Christmas Seasons (Nov 28 – Jan 9).

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.

In Memoriam

We extend our sympathies and prayers to the family of

Fr. Bob Kincl who died this past week.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

The Season of Advent begins this weekend. This is a time of spiritual preparation for the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ and there are many things we can do in our lives and at home with our families during these weeks. Here are a few: **set up an Advent Wreath in your home, lighting a candle and praying with family each week until Christmas; pick up a 'Word Among Us' daily Advent devotions book (by the entrances of the church) and use it at home to pray daily with your family; talk to your children/grandchildren often about Advent and the true meaning of Christmas!**

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** this weekend (November 27/28). Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Attention Holy Trinity Lectors! The 2022 lector workbooks are here and will be in the sacristy for you to pick you!

With *thankful* hearts our **Confraternity of Christian Mothers** will hold its monthly meeting this **Sunday, Nov 28th** at 9:30am in the Religious Education Building. Our Advent & Christmas plans will be discussed & remember to bring your little red book. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend, we have good coffee & yummy snacks!!

RCIA: Class this Tuesday, November 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE bldg. Discussion: *Prayer*. For more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htcdre@yahoo.com).



Classes this Wednesday, December 1, 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.

Choir practice for the Christmas Season has begun and practices are on Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Anyone interested in joining the choir may contact Ronnie Simek (512-630-5074) for information.

The **Clerical Endowment Fund (CEF)** has special Christmas Enrollment cards for Spiritual Bouquet Gifts for the Christmas season. These will be available in the foyer of the church the weekends of December 4/5 and December 11/12 for the usual \$2 offering per card (per person enrolled). All offerings go to the CEF and benefit the education of our Austin Diocesan seminarians. You may also contact Janine Nemecek at (512)289-9242.

The **Pro-Life Prayer & Awareness Group** will meet on Thursday, December 2. They will begin with a Pro-Life Rosary in the church at 6:30 p.m. and then continue their meeting in the RE Bldg.

"When the time comes, as it surely will, when we face that awesome moment, the final judgment, I've often thought, as the late Archbishop Fulton J Sheen wrote, that it is a terrible moment of loneliness. You have no advocates; you are there alone - standing before God - and a terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine. But I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think there will be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard beautifully and clearly in the next world, and they will plead for everyone who has been in this movement. They will say to God, 'Spare him, because he loved us', and God will look at you and say not, 'Did you succeed?' but, 'did you try?'"

Congressman Henry Hyde

First Friday & Saturday of the month – December 3 & 4: **Friday's Mass is at 7:00 a.m.** with a time of Adoration, our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and Benediction. Saturday's Mass is at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude with our devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

SIGN UP – by Sunday, December 5th – for our Parish Appreciation Dinner, which will be held on Sunday, December 12, at 5:00 p.m. in the PAC bldg! We want to show our thanks and appreciation to ALL of our PARISHIONERS, so if you participate in any ministries or activities here at our parish, sign-up you and your family for a delicious catered meal – on us! **Sign-up sheets are available in the foyer of the church, or you can contact the parish office.**

We will celebrate the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** on Wednesday, December 8. Masses will be held at 7:00 a.m., 12 Noon and at 6:30 p.m. **In preparation, please pray the following prayer, daily, this week (Nov. 30 – Dec 8):**

Novena Prayer to Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception

*Most Holy Virgin, who was pleasing to the Lord and became His Mother, Immaculate in body and spirit, in faith and in love, look kindly on us who implore thy powerful patronage. The wicked serpent, against whom the primal curse was hurled, continues fiercely to attack and ensnare the unhappy children of Eve. Do thou, Mary our Blessed Mother, our Queen and Advocate, who from the first instant of thy conception did crush the head of our enemy, receive these special prayers (**mention your requests here**) that we unite single-heartedly to thine and beg thee to offer at the throne of God. Help us, that we may never fall into the snares that are laid for us, and may all arrive at the port of salvation; and in the midst of so many dangers, may holy Church and the fellowship of Christians everywhere sing once more the hymn of deliverance, victory and peace.*

All visitors and parishioners are invited for **Hospitality Sunday** next weekend (Sunday, December 5th) in the PAC Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate the Marquis family for preparing the breakfast.



ST. NICHOLAS CELEBRATION – DECEMBER 5TH IN THE PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER AFTER THE 8:30 AM AND THE 10:30 AM MASSES. JOIN US FOR GAMES, CRAFTS, TREATS AND MAYBE EVEN A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS HIMSELF.

If you would like to help decorate the church for the Christmas Season with beautiful poinsettias --- in memory or honor of loved ones --- you may do so by completing and returning a "Christmas Flower Envelope" (located by the bulletins). Please turn in your envelope by Sunday, December 19th. All memorials will be announced in the December 26th bulletin.

Marriage Anniversaries: If, in 2021, you celebrated your 10, 15, 20, 25, etc., 50th or more, wedding anniversary, the Austin DCCW, together with our Bishop, Joe Vásquez, will honor these couples with a certificate. Please sign-up by Sunday, December 12, on the (green) sheets provided in the foyer of the church and please **print clearly** so that we don't misspell your names! The certificates will be presented on the weekend of the Feast of the Holy Family.

Food Drive: You can help area families have a hunger-free Christmas season. The KJT Society #55 is collecting food and monetary donations until Dec. 19. The list of needed items for the Jarrell Community Food Pantry can be found on the bulletin tables. Collection boxes for the food are in the foyer and near the south entrance door. Monetary donations can be made by dropping an envelope in the collection basket with Food Drive written on it. If you have any questions, please contact Helen Havelka (512-869-8715).

Help those in need by visiting our Angel Tree in the church foyer. Due to the current situation, we have had to change things up a bit. To participate, pick up an "Angel Tree" envelope. You can either donate cash, a check or purchase a gift card from any retailer (such as HEB, Walmart, Target, etc.) Place your gift in the "Angel Tree" envelope and return it by **December 5th** by putting it in the collection basket, placing it in the Donation box in the church foyer, or by bringing it to the parish office. If giving a gift card, please write the \$ amount on it. For questions, contact Debbie Klaus (512-940-1557). Donations will benefit local families and children.

Holy Trinity Catholic High School in Temple is hosting a Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, December 11, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. In addition to vendors selling a variety of items, there will be an area for children to make gifts for their families. See flyer in the foyer of church for more details.

Attention men: Do you feel a call to serve as a deacon?

Men between the ages of 30 and 59 sensing God's call to the permanent diaconate and their wives are invited to attend one of the following Inquiry Sessions offered by the Office of Diaconal Formation.

Nov. 14 – Pastoral Center, 6225 Highway 290 East, Austin 78723

Dec. 12 – St. Joseph Parish in Bryan – 507 E. 26th St., Bryan, TX 77803

Jan. 9 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish in Pflugerville – 1520 N. Railroad Ave, Pflugerville, TX 78660

Feb. 13 – St. John the Evangelist Parish in Marble Falls – 105 Highway 1431 East, Marble Falls, TX 78654

March 13 – St. Joseph Parish in Killeen – 2903 E. Rancier Ave, Killeen, TX 76543

April 10 – Santa Cruz Parish in Buda – 1100 Main St, Buda, TX 78610

Applications for the Diaconal Formation Class of 2028 will be accepted starting Dec. 1, 2021. Additional info can be found at www.austindiocese.org/welcome.



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.

The Season of Advent – our time of preparation for the birth of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ – begins next weekend.

St. John Vianney – Round Rock – Thursday, December 2, 7 PM

Corn Hill – Sunday, December 5, 5 PM; St. Mary's – Taylor – Monday, December 6, 6 PM

St. Joseph – Manor – Thursday, December 9, 6:30 – 8 PM; St. Elizabeth – Pflugerville – Wednesday, December 15, 7 PM

St. William – Round Rock – Wednesday, December 15, 7 - 9 PM; St. Helen - Georgetown – Thursday, December 16, 9:30 - 11:30 AM

St. Helen - Georgetown – Thursday, December 16, 7 - 9 PM; Sts. Cyril & Methodius – Granger – Thursday, December 16, 7 PM

St. William – Round Rock – Wednesday, December 22, 1 - 6 PM

Dear friends in Christ,

May the peace and love of our Lord be with each of you. I hope that all of you had a very joyful and blessed Thanksgiving Day. This Friday, December 3, three Transitional Deacons will arrive from the Czech Republic and they will stay for two weeks. Part of their stay will be in Houston. Their names are Karel Honka, Josef Biernát and Jan Kříž. Let us give them a nice Texas welcome.

Today we begin the holy Season of Advent. During the next four weeks we will be preparing ourselves for the celebration of the Birth of the Lord at Christmas. Advent comes from the Latin word for an "arrival" or a "coming". Advent means that the Lord is coming. Jesus Christ, our brother in our humanity and our God in His divinity is about to arrive. But He comes to us in different ways. First, Jesus came to us at a specific point in history at Bethlehem about 2000 years ago. But in the Church's great feast of Christmas He mystically comes again. Second, the Lord, Alpha and Omega, will come to judge the living and the dead in the Second Coming. Third, the Redeemer comes to us in grace. He speaks to us in our conscience, He comes to us in the Eucharist and in the Word of God proclaimed. Advent is a time of joy tinged with penance. Joy, because we can imagine nothing sweeter than the Christ Child and His Mother Mary's bliss at His coming to light. Penance, because we must strive to be properly disposed to receive so great a gift of His presence. In the millennial tradition of the Church, we, the faithful, have done penance before great feasts. Christmas and Easter each have their penitential seasons in anticipation, Advent and Lent. The liturgical color used in the Latin Church for the liturgy during both Advent and Lent is violet, purple, a sign of penance. The Latin Church also emphasizes the penitential dimension of the season. This is a kind of liturgical fast which makes the joy and celebration of Christmas all that much more powerful by the contrast of the lean and muted season of Advent. Advent is a time of great joy, because we look forward to the beautiful feast of the Nativity, but it is joy stitched through with somber and focused spiritual preparation by doing penance.

The Christmas Season begins on the evening of December 24 and continues until Sunday, January 9, when we will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Celebrate these seasons in the spirit intended by the Church and you will experience the fullness of what God has to offer to you in this special time of year.

Today's readings speak to us about the fulfillment of God's promise to His people. This is in reference to the coming of the Messiah. This promise has been fulfilled in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who was born of the virgin, Mary. We await the final establishment of the Kingdom as we prepare ourselves for the Second Coming of Jesus on the great day of the final Resurrection. Our Gospel reading today, taken from the Gospel of Luke, encourages us to be vigilant and to wait with great expectation, preparing ourselves through prayer, so that we are strong in our faith so that we can persevere in living our life in Jesus until He returns in glory. In Advent we prepare not only for the birth of Jesus, but also for His ultimate return when all will be made new.

Please pray for all of our children who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) for the first time on Saturday, December 4. May they always have a desire for the love, mercy and forgiveness of God in this special Sacrament.

Also, we will have our **Parish Penance Service on Sunday, December 5, at 5:00 pm**. Five priests will be here to grant you the love and forgiveness of God in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Take advantage of this opportunity to make a good confession before Christmas.

Also, please sign up for our **Parish Appreciation Dinner on December 12**. This dinner is for all of you who work at our parish fundraisers and Bazaar, and, for all those who are in ministry in our parish...catechists, lectors, ushers, music ministry, choir, altar servers, those who prepare meals for hospitality Sunday and the Senior Suppers, and more. Let us join together for a good meal and fellowship. Thank you to all of you who volunteer here at Holy Trinity.

K úvaze: Jedna IT anekdota odpovídá na dotaz, jak poznáme, že se blíží konec světa: „Na nebi se objeví nápis: Aplikace vykonala nepovolenou operaci a bude ukončena.“

V Evangelii ovšem Ježíš nemluví o konci světa, ale o svém příchodu. Doba adventní nás vybízí k bdělosti a připravenosti vzhledem k příchodu Ježíše. Je zajímavé, že I. stupeň povodňové aktivity se nazývá Bdělost. Během Adventu se máme připravovat na povodeň Boží lásky, kdy Bůh se stává člověkem.

Primer domingo de Adviento: “Escuchando los gritos de aquellos que sufren a causa de la violencia y son oprimidos por sistemas y estructuras injustos, y escuchando el llamado de un mundo que por su perversidad contradice el plan de su Creador, hemos compartido nuestra conciencia de la vocación de la Iglesia de estar presente en el corazón del mundo al proclamar la Buena Nueva a los pobres, libertad a los oprimidos, y gozo a los afligidos” (Sínodo Mundial de Obispos de 1971, Justicia en el Mundo, 5)

May all of you have a very blessed Advent Season.

In Christ, Fr. Stephen Nesrsta, farář