

# HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH of CORN HILL



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin

## Second Sunday of Lent

March 13, A.D. 2022

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday	Mar 12	5:00 PM	Pro Populo
Sunday	Mar 13	8:30 AM	Joseph Jacobs, †John J. Huff, †Amdre Brousseau
		10:30 AM	Jim Hill, †Emma Rodriguez, †Antonio Camacho
Tuesday	Mar 15	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Wednesday	Mar 16	<b>7:00 AM</b>	†Ted Havelka, †Francisca Luna
Thursday	Mar 17	7:00 AM	†Robert Maloney, The Fehlman Family
Friday	Mar 18	6:00 PM	†Virgil Tonn, †John & Betty Emge
Saturday	Mar 19	7:30 AM	Members & Mission of the Czech Catholic Foundation of Texas, Confraternity of Christian Mothers
Saturday	Mar 19	5:00 PM	†Tommie Rose Martine, Daniel Myers (physical & spiritual healing)
Sunday	Mar 20	8:30 AM	Pro Populo
		10:30 AM	†Francisca Luna, †Joe & Barbara Knapek

### Mass Ministry Schedule for March 15 - 20

#### Tuesday, March 15, NO MASS

#### Wednesday, March 16, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Josh Jacobs  
Lector: Laura Hill

#### Stations of the Cross:

#### Wednesday, March 16, 6:30 PM:

Altar Servers: Sam W., Martin O., Isabella H.

#### Thursday, March 17, 7:00 AM:

Altar Server: Pinto Nemeč  
Lector: Pinto Nemeč

#### Friday, March 18, 6:00 PM:

Altar Server: Pinto Nemeč  
Lector: Kitz Crawford

#### Saturday, March 19, 7:30 AM:

Altar Server: James Nemeč  
Lector: Janine Nemeč

#### Saturday, March 19, 5:00 PM:

Altar Server: John Bruce  
Lector: Monica Sherek  
EMHC: Janine Nemeč  
Gift Bearers: Billy & Kathy Meissner  
Head Usher: Bill Sherek

#### Sunday, March 20, 8:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Brousseaus (3)  
Lector: Louis Brousseau  
EMHC: Ray Nemeč, Brandon Danek  
Gift Bearers: Matt & Amy Mertink  
Head Usher: Matt Mertink

#### Sunday, March 20, 10:30 AM:

Altar Servers: Preston & Heather S.  
Lector: Denise Sellers  
EMHC: Leslie Allen, Kelly Godfrey  
Gift Bearers: Bill & Linda Montreuil  
Head Usher: Jeff Voigt

**EMHC to Shut-Ins: March 20: Ray Nemeč**

Join us every Wednesday during Lent for the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Take the time to reflect on the suffering and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, on the Cross.

#### Rosary for Life

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

March 13 – 20: Frankie & Betty Ann Vrabel  
March 20 – 27: Brandon & Rosie Fonville

#### Vocations Crucifix Prayer Campaign

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

March 13 – 20: Louis & Louis Straka  
March 20 – 27: Leo & Diane Bringman

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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

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Marriage Preparation: Contact the priest before setting a wedding date and at least 9-12 months before the desired date.

Baptisms: Contact Lucille D'Elia for questions and requirements (737-215-1042)

### Last Week's Collection(s)

#### March 2 – Ash Wednesday

World & Home Mission: \$ 2,283.00

#### March 5/6

Weekly Collection: \$ 8,599.30

Online Donations: \$ 1,458.58

### 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 families of **Andre Brousseau (father of Louis Brousseau) and Paul Bonkowski, Sr.**, who died this past week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.



**SPRING FORWARD**  
Daylight Saving Time  
March 13, 2022

All visitors and parishioners are invited for **Hospitality Sunday** this weekend (Sunday, March 13) in the PAC Bldg after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We appreciate KJZT organization for preparing the breakfast.

*"On behalf of the CCE Program, I would like to thank our wonderful parish family for helping us to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our students. I would especially like to thank Debbie and Mark Klaus and their masterful kitchen team that provided a most delicious luncheon meal. The choir was wonderful and provided the perfect musical accompaniment to our Sacramental Celebration. The altar servers did a masterful job and showed their reverence to this special ministry in which they all serve. Most importantly, I would like to thank Father Stephen for being such a marvelous Shepherd to our parish and to our CCE program. Once again, Holy Trinity has demonstrated to our children that we live our faith each and every day by serving God and each other. Thank you again." Lucille D'Elia*

**We are still looking for new vice chairpersons for this year's June Fundraiser and Annual Bazaar. If you are interested in serving as vice chair for these fundraisers, please contact the parish office, Helen Havelka or Charles Marquis.**

**Consecration to Saint Joseph** – the next meeting is Monday, March 14, 5 – 7 p.m. in the **PAC Building**.

**RCIA:** Class this Tuesday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the RE Building for *Catholic Moral Teachings*. For more information, please contact Lucille D'Elia (737-215-1042 or htc dre@yahoo.com).

**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**

Due to Spring Break, we will not have classes on Wednesday, March 16. Families are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross together. Classes will resume on Wednesday, March 23, at 6:15 p.m. For information about our program, contact Lucille D'Elia.



*"Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1213)* **Baptism for Infants and Young Children - Holy Trinity Catholic Church has a comprehensive baptism preparation program for parents and godparents seeking baptism for their children. For information and to register for our next Baptism Preparation Class to be held on March 26 at 10:30 am, please contact our Faith Formation Office at 737-215-1042 or htc dre@yahoo.com.**

**During the Season of Lent, it is important that we reconcile ourselves with one another and with God!  
Please take the time for you and your family to go to Confession ... that your hearts, souls, and minds will be ready for the Sacrifice and Resurrection of our Lord.**

**The following are several opportunities for Confession in our area:**

**Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Granger:** Tuesday, March 22, 6 PM  
**St. Helen's, Georgetown:** Thurs, March 24, 9:30 – 11:20 AM and 7 – 9 PM  
**St. Mary's, Taylor:** Monday, March 28, 9:30 – 12 noon and 6 PM  
**St. John Vianney, RR:** Thurs, March 31, 7 PM; **Holy Trinity, Corn Hill:** Sunday, April 3, 5 PM  
**St. Joseph's, Manor:** Wed, April 6, 6 – 9 PM; **St. William's, RR:** Wed, April 6, 7 – 9 PM  
**St. Elizabeth's, Pflugerville:** Thurs, April 7, 7 PM; **St. William's, RR:** Mon, April 11, 1 – 3:30 PM  
**St. Williams, RR:** Mon, April 11, 3:30 – 6 PM

**Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes**, from the February 24, 2022 meeting, are posted on the bulletin board in the foyer of the church.

We will have our monthly **Building Fund Collection** next weekend (March 26/27). Thank you in advance for your generosity

**Holy Trinity Fish Fry (Dine-In and Drive -Thru)** for the Lenten season will continue Friday, March 18, and every Friday during Lent. Join us for Mass at 6:00 pm and then enjoy a home-cooked meal from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. (or until sold out). Plates for Dine-In are Adults \$12.00 / Child \$6.00 (10 yrs and younger). All plates in the Drive-Thru are \$12.00. Proceeds will benefit our parish Building Fund Project. Thank you for your support!

Holy Trinity parish will honor St Joseph with the celebration of a **St Joseph Altar** after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, March 19 in the PAC building. The Confraternity of Christian Mothers will host this beautiful tradition, which is an offering of love, labor & sacrifice in honor of St Joseph. Fr. Stephen will bless the altar and then all participants may sample the meatless foods on the altar. In keeping with the tradition, we will accept money or food donations to help the Jarrell Food Pantry. All are invited to celebrate & honor St Joseph, the Protector of the Universal Church and the Holy Family.

**Total Consecration Rosary and Mass** - In Fatima, Our Lady said, "My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God." Please join thousands of Faithful throughout our Diocese to collectively make or renew our **"Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary"** at a special Holy Mass on the Annunciation of the Lord. Rosary and Mass will be offered on **Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** at 6 p.m. at Saint Mary Cathedral (Austin), at 11:30 a.m. at Saint Helen Church (Georgetown), at 6 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (Martindale), at 6:15 p.m. at Saint William Church (Round Rock), and at 4:30 p.m. at Saint Peter Catholic Student Center (Waco). Please visit [www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org) for more locations, information, and links to live-stream.



If you would like to help decorate the church for the Easter season with Easter Lilies & Flowers, in memory or honor of loved ones, you may do so by completing and returning an **Easter Flower Envelope** (located by the bulletins). Please print all names clearly! Envelopes should be turned in by Sunday, April 10, as the memorials will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

### Novena Prayer to St. Joseph

(Please pray the following with your family from March 11 – 19, 2022)

O Glorious St. Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, to you do we raise our hearts and hands to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Merciful Heart of Jesus all the helps and graces necessary for our spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the grace of a happy death, and the special favors we now implore... *(you may add your own petitions here)*

O Chaste Guardian of Jesus Christ, The Word Incarnate, we have great confidence that your prayers on our behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

V. Glorious St. Joseph, through the love you bore toward Jesus Christ and for the glory of His name,

P. Hear our prayers and obtain our petitions.

*-Let us pray-*

O Glorious St. Joseph, Spouse of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, help us to be pure, humble and charitable in body, mind and soul, and to have perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be our guide, our father and our model through life, that we may merit to die in the arms of Jesus and Mary as you did. **St. Joseph, friend of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!**

### Dear friends in Christ,

Peace be with you. Thank you to everyone who helped out with our Confirmation celebration last Sunday. Thank you especially to Lucille D'Elia and all the catechists who have prepared them over the years. Thank you to our servers, readers, choir, organist, cooks and the Knights of Columbus who helped set up the PAC for the reception. Thank you to all the parents who value their faith and the gift of the Spirit in their own life. May the Spirit lead your children all the days of their life. May God bless all of you in return.

Today we celebrate the Second Sunday of Lent. What have you done to make this Lent more meaningful to you? Did you attend Stations of the Cross this week? It is important that we reflect upon the suffering of Jesus if we are to really enter into this Lenten Season. The Season of Lent is meant to help us to prepare ourselves for the celebration of the Paschal Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Resurrection of the Lord, 72 hours from Holy Thursday evening until the evening of Easter Sunday, equaling the time of three days. So many people tell me that they do not experience God's love in their life or the life of their family. When I ask them if they attend Mass every week, pray every day, read the Bible daily, pray the rosary daily, attend special devotions such as the Stations of the Cross, First Friday and First Saturday devotions, they say "no". Well, it does not surprise me then if you are not experiencing Jesus in your life. You are not giving Him the opportunity to be present in your life as much as you should. We need to do our part in our relationship with Jesus. It is like a marriage relationship, both must give 100% of themselves to the relationship if it is going to be meaningful and if it is going to be what it is meant to be.

In this season of Lent we try to grow in our faith and in our relationship with God and with one another. In today's Gospel we hear about the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain. Peter, James and John have a very unique experience with Jesus as they see Him transfigured before them. They also see and experience Moses and Elijah conversing with Jesus. Our Lord wants us to have this same experience in our own lives of faith. Jesus wants us to experience His presence and His love in a very unique and personal way. All we have to do is to make ourselves available to Him so that this may happen. We make ourselves available by spending time in prayer with Him, by attending Mass, by going to confession, and by participating in various devotions such as the Stations of the Cross. If we do not do these things, if we do not accept His invitation and go to the mountain top with Him, then we will never experience what He has for us. Try to be faithful to your prayer life, to attending Mass every week, and, attending weekday Masses when possible, to making a good confession and by attending the Stations of the Cross. Spend time with our Lord, both alone and in unity with one another, and you will have a unique experience of His love for you. Come to the Stations of the Cross every week during this season of Lent and do all you can to help yourself to grow in the love and life of Jesus. God has given us so much and continues to give us all we need and more so that we may live a life of love and joy. Open yourself to what God is giving to you. Don't close the door in His face. May this season of Lent be all that it is meant to be for you and your family.

May all of you have a blessed week and be sure to attend Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evening.

Fr. Stephen Nestrta, farář

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**K úvaze:** Přemýšlel jsem o Ježíšově putování Izraelskou zemí. Jednou svým apoštolům promlouvá o utrpení, které ho čeká, po několika dnech vystupuje na vrcholek hory, kde zakusí blízkost svého nebeského Otce. Sestupuje však opět dolů, svádí boj proti ďáblu, uzdravuje, učí.

Na cestě našeho života se dá bloudit nebo putovat. Žalmy k tomu nabízí svůj komentář: „Bloudili pouští, cestou pustin, město sídla Božího však nenalezli“ (Žl 107,4). Nebo: „Blaze člověku, jenž sílu hledá v tobě, těm, kteří se vydávají na pouť“ (Žl 84,6). Nikdo z nás nemusí, ale každý může zvolit svůj cíl, průvodce, způsob či formu cestování. Kéž by pro nás byl cíl, průvodce i způsob jediný, Pán Ježíš Kristus. (Pastorace.cz)

**Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma:** Nos movemos del desierto a la montaña de la Transfiguración y se nos da un vistazo de lo que es la Resurrección de Cristo. Pero, para compartir en su gloria, debemos compartir en la misión que lleva al sufrimiento y muerte ¿Qué muerte debemos morir para compartir la gloria de Cristo? La misión de Cristo fue hacia los pobres y vulnerables, los rechazados y los pecadores ¿Estamos listos para morir para nosotros mismos junto con los rechazados para poder compartir de la vida con Cristo?

## Still More About Lent

### Praying

Lent is the time to start new patterns of prayer. Perhaps I haven't been praying at all. This is a great time to choose to begin. It is important to begin realistically. I can start by simply pausing when I get up and taking a slow, deep breath, and recalling what I have to do this day, and asking for grace to do it as a child of God. I may want to go to bed a half an hour earlier, and get up a half an hour earlier and give myself some time alone to read the readings for the day, and just talk with the Lord about those readings or about the stuff of the day. I may choose to go to Mass each day during Lent. I may choose to get to church on Sunday, just 15 minutes earlier, so I can reflect a bit. Lent may be a time I would want to choose to start to journal the day-to-day reflections that are coming, the desires I'm naming and asking for, the graces I am being given.

### Practicing Generosity

Almsgiving has always been an important part of Lent. Lent begins with the powerful Isaiah 58, on the Friday and Saturday after Ash Wednesday. It is important to give ourselves the experience of fasting from being un-generous. Generosity is not simply giving my excess clothes to a place where poor people might purchase them. It's not even writing a "generous" check at the time a collection is taken up for a cause that benefits the poor. These are wonderful practices. Generosity is an attitude. It is a sense that no matter how much I have, all that I have is gift, and given to me to be shared. It means that sharing with others in need is one of my personal priorities. That is quite different from assessing all of my needs first, and then giving away what is left over. A spirit of self-less giving means that one of my needs is to share what I have with others. Lent is a wonderful time to practice self-less giving, because it takes practice. This kind of self-sacrificing generosity is a religious experience. It places us in solidarity with the poor who share with each other, without having any excess. It also joins us with Jesus, who gave himself completely, for us. Establishing new patterns of giving will give real life and joy to Lent.

### Practicing Penance

When I sprain my ankle, part of the healing process will involve physical therapy. It's tender, and perhaps it is swollen. It may be important to put ice on it first, to reduce the inflammation. I may want to wrap it and elevate it and stay off of it. Then I will need to start moving it and then walking on it, and eventually, as the injury is healed, I'll want to start exercising it, so that it will be stronger than it was before, so that I won't as easily injure it again.

Penance is a remedy, a medicine, a spiritual therapy for the healing I desire. The Lord always forgives us. We are forgiven without condition. But complete healing takes time. With serious sin or with bad habits we've invested years in forming, we need to develop a therapeutic care plan to let the healing happen. To say "I'm sorry" or to simply make a "resolution" to change a long established pattern, will have the same bad result as wishing a sprained ankle would heal, while still walking on it.

Lent is a wonderful time to name what sinful, unhealthy, self-centered patterns need changing and to act against them by coming up with a strategy. For example, if the Lord is shining a light into the darkness of a bad pattern in my life, I can choose to "stop doing it." But, I have to work on a "change of heart" and to look concretely at what circumstances, attitudes, and other behaviors contribute to the pattern. If I'm self-indulgent with food, sex, attention-seeking behaviors and don't ask "what's missing for me, that I need to fill it with this?" then simply choosing to stop the pattern won't last long. Lasting healing needs the practice of penance.

### The Worldly View of Love

The word "love" can often conjure up the romantic notions of the "Romeo and Juliet" sort. This kind of love is perpetually passionate, dreamily selfless, and unwaveringly happy. It sets hearts fluttering and gives lovers the courage to do the unthinkable. That's all very poetic, but it doesn't always fit with the realities of our day-to-day life. In contrast, Jesus defines love by talking about decisions more than emotions, by commanding His followers to choose to be generous, selfless, and merciful (Lk 6:27-38). Trying to live just one day in the cheerfulness of the idealistic love described above would be rather exhausting and may not empower us to lay down our lives for others or forgive and embrace our enemies, which is the height of godly love (Mt 5:44-45).