



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Holy Rosary: 30 minutes before every Holy Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:15-5:45PM/Thursday 4:30-5:30PM during Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 4:00-5:45 PM concluding with Benediction

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

Baptism: Class Required/Darve Horak 512-859-2646 or darve.horak@gmail.com

Marriage: Meet with Pastor six months in advance to set date.

Marriage Prep required/Darve & Karen Horak 512-859-2646 or darve.horak@gmail.com

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 12, 2014

Saturday	Oct. 11	6:00PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Msgr. Louis Pavlicek will be our Celebrant this weekend.)
Sunday	Oct. 12	10:00 AM	†Edward & Angeline David & Dorothy Mae Kopecky; †Sylvester Brosch, Sr.; Shirocky Family
Tuesday	Oct. 14	8:00AM	†Emil Matula
<u>Wed</u>	<u>Oct. 15</u>	<u>8:00AM</u>	<u>†Ernest & Lillie Hudec</u>
Thurs	Oct. 16	4-5:45PM	Adoration/Benediction
		6:00PM	†Frank Mikulencak
Friday	Oct. 17	8:00AM	†Federico G. Cortez
Saturday	Oct. 18	6:00PM	†Jerry Jr.&Nancy Vrabel;†Jannie&Joe Prcin;†Mary Walker;†Johnny Michalek;†Janie Marling
Sunday	Oct. 19	10:00 AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for Healing: Liz Vrana, Lydia Pekar, Lilly Jonse Meyer, Edith Kurtin, Robert Rister, Misty Gonzales, William Pedroza, Concha Martinez *

We pray for the repose of the soul of Chavella 'Isabel' Medina.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,864.00

Children: \$22.00

Thank you for your support!

Liturgical Ministers October 18-19

Saturday 6PM Lector: Diana Kerlin EMHC: Terry Pekar, Doc Pekar, Louis Repa, Lawrence Novak

Music: Kathy Janke

Servers: Colton & Colby Marek

Sunday 10AM Lector: Wendy White

EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Rita Marburger, Bill & Mary Pavlat

Music: Guitar Group

Servers: Audrey Messex, Kurt Kaderka, Mary Unnasch

EMHC Route: Carolyn Kaderka, Angie Pavelka, Margaret Vrana, Diana Kerlin

Religious Articles Store: 6PM -Cara Finn 10AM – Kay & Darwin Karkoska

Granger Community Food Pantry collection for the October 16 distribution. Please bring items by Wednesday, October 15.

Special collection this weekend is for the Parish Building and Maintenance Fund.

Next Sunday we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Our special collection will be for the Society for the Propagation of Faith. This year we are invited to reach out and help build the Church in Mongolia, the world's youngest Catholic Church, as well as local churches throughout the Missions, in the most remote areas across the world.

Flowers (Sacred Heart) In loving memory of Sylvester Brosch, Sr. on his birthday from his family.

(Main) Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. William Davidson III married this weekend.

Calendar of Events

Sunday Oct. 12 : 11AM Youth Ministry Bingo Kitchen—Hamburgers (Hall)

Monday Oct. 13 : 8AM Preparations for Turkey Dinner (Hall) *See Announcement

Tuesday Oct. 14 : Parish and RE Offices closed for Diocesan Training

Wednesday Oct. 15 : 6PM Upper Room

: 7PM Religious Education

Sunday Oct. 19 : 11AM Turkey and Dressing Dinner (Hall)

Fr. Chris will be in Missouri Oct. 11-17. Fr. Stephen will be here for weekday Masses and emergencies (512-863-0401)

You may also call Joanie at 512-859-2223 during the day or 512-859-2893 for after hour emergencies.

Parish

Did you know that our **Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** visit approximately 60 people each week who are in the nursing homes or homebound? Please have a family member contact Rosanne Naizer [512-859-2542](tel:512-859-2542) or the parish office if you need to add someone to the list who recently may not be able to attend church due to an illness or accident.

October is Respect Life Month. *"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly."*—John 10:10. Remember to donate any spare pocket change to your Baby Bank and help foster a greater respect for the sanctity of life. Return your filled Baby Bank on Sunday, October 26. For more information, contact Diana Kerlin, Pro-Life Committee Chairperson (512) 859-2308.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAVE GRACIOUSLY OFFERED TO DONATE THEIR PROCEEDS FROM THE BINGO HELD ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014 TOWARD THE KJZT TURKEY DINNER. SO COME OUT, ENJOY A WONDERFUL MEAL AND PLAY SOME EXCITING BINGO IN THE AFTERNOON. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.

Turkey & Dressing Dinner - the KJZT is sponsoring the Turkey & Dressing Dinner on October 19 and we need ALL Parishioners to help us continue this long standing tradition. The work list is attached to the bulletin. Look and see where you have been scheduled to work. If your name is not on the list please consider volunteering where ever you can. Your help would be GREATLY appreciated. Also, we could use sweets for the dessert table. Thank you for your help.

Volunteers are needed to help toast bread for the dressing for the Turkey Dinner. We will be doing this on Monday, October 13 at the Hall starting at 8 AM. If you can help with this, please call JoAnn ([512-656-7162](tel:512-656-7162)) or just show up that morning. Thank you in advance!

Kolache Bake, Nov. 15 -\$10.00 p/doz. Advance orders only. Please call Kay Karkoska @ 859-1001 or email: dkkarkoska@gmail.com to place your orders before Wednesday, Nov. 12. Work list to follow.

All Souls Day envelopes are available at all entrances. Please return your intentions through the collection basket by Sunday October 26.

Cemetery Clean up time is here again for the November 1-2 (All Saints and All Souls Day). Please make every effort to remove faded flowers from the graves. A reminder that glass containers should not be used on graves as they are easily broken and become very dangerous. Graves that are curbed are not under perpetual care and owners cleaning those graves must remove all debris from the cemetery as there are no trash receptacles on site. Thank you for your help in keeping our cemeteries beautiful and safe. Also remember snakes have been spotted so be cautious while cleaning.

Card of Thanks The Family of Agnes Stojanik expresses their deep appreciation for all your prayers during her time of need. We thank you for your condolences during this very difficult time.

Dear Parishioners, thank you so much for your support for the mission trip to McAllen. Four of us went and saw firsthand how needy these refugees are. They arrive with nothing but the clothes on their backs and worn shoes on their feet. They were so appreciative of receiving a change of clothes and new shoes, and a blanket and backpack, to help them as they proceed to reunite with their families here in the U.S. Seeing how quickly how some items were exhausted, we are planning another trip in November if we get more donations. Mostly needed are backpacks, warm clothing, especially jackets, hoodies and sweaters of all children and adult sizes, belts for men and boys, men's jeans - size 27,28,30,32 and travel size blankets or throws. To see the full list, please go to: CatholiccharitiesRGV.org. You may drop off your donations at the church office during the entire month of October. (Tuesday-Friday 9-1)

For more information please call Deborah at 979-571-0461. Thank you again and God Bless You!

Area Events

St. Helen Parish in Georgetown will host its Fall Festival Oct. 18 and 19 on the parish grounds. Festivities begin with bingo, burgers and sodas on Saturday at 5 p.m. On Sunday, activities begin at 10 a.m. and will include a meal of brisket and rotisserie chicken, a silent auction and a live auction, crafts, games for all ages, a petting zoo, a car show and more.

The India Catholic Association (ICA) of Central Texas will host its annual "Taste of India" fundraiser Oct. 18 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Thomas More Parish Hall in Austin. Taste of India features the cuisines, costumes and dances of all regions of India. Tickets are \$25 each, which includes dinner. For information about Taste of India, visit www.austinica.org. For more information regarding the charity, visit www.ishaprema-niketan.org.

Holy Trinity Parish in Corn Hill is hosting a Parish Mission on October 19-23 entitled "Be a Saint! Evangelization by Attraction" presenter is Fr. Andy Cravalho of the Fathers of Mercy. Each evening begins with Confessions 5:30-6:30PM and the mission begins at 7PM with the exception of Wednesday which will begin at 6:30PM with Mass. Flyer is posted on the Bulletin Board.

St. Mary's Taylor October 26: 11AM Polka Mass/11AM-1PM BBQ Chicken Dinner at KC Hall. Flyer on Bulletin Board

Our Lady of the Rosary Cemetery All Souls' Day Vespers on Sunday, November 2, 4PM. FMI:www.olotr.com

Eagles Wings Retreat Center: November 4-Spirituality of Simplicity (\$35 Lunch included) 9:30-2:30. Presenter Cheryl Maxwell. Come and join us for a day as we discover new ways to balance our lives and fill our days with Light, laughter and peace which will allow us to run the race of life at a more meaningful speed.

Message from Our Pastor

In today's gospel, Jesus' parable of the wedding feast symbolizes the wide scope of God the Father's heavenly kingdom and reign of grace. People from all walks of life and all social classes, including saintly ones and sinners, are invited to God's feast-kingdom. But final entrance into it depends upon one's humble gratitude, cooperation with others, and obedience to requirements.

EXEGESIS:

A wedding feast or a banquet is a popular image in the Bible for final salvation with the fullness of the kingdom of God. The "servants of the king" in today's parable by Jesus can be the God-sent prophets of the Old Testament. "Everything is ready" at the banquet is cryptic for a sense of eschatological urgency, i.e., the nearness of the end of time. The king's (God's) invitation to attend is freely given with no obligation to attend (but it would be foolish not to go). But the Jews of that time rejected and killed many of the prophets and, in the parable, refuse to attend the banquet; some are more concerned with their daily business, others act violently in killing the servant-messengers. The angry king then sends his soldiers to burn the city of those violent people who refuse to attend the wedding. (This seems like an unnecessary break in the story--due to the fact that it reflects Matthew's experience of the real destruction of Jerusalem by the pagan Romans in 70 A.D.).

The parable resumes with the king inviting people from all social and economic classes of society-- including beggars, outcasts, and sinners--to attend the feast. So too the Father's kingdom includes rich and poor, saints and sinners alike. "Many are invited," as Jesus says at the end. However, whereas the invitation is open to all or many, attendance at the feast (entrance into the kingdom) depends upon acting with faith and goodness. Thus the guest who is not wearing the proper wedding garment symbolizes one who is not trying to be obedient in good works to the Lord. He and others like him (rowdy guests as at a party) are expelled from the feast and into the night-time darkness (or are expelled from the light and happiness of heavenly grace). And so "few are chosen."