



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Youth Ministers: Wendy & Mark White hafa_adai65@hotmail.com

Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1st Saturdays 8:30AM (FMI: Virginia Lee)

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.

Pastor: Very Rev. Chris Ferrer

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Deacon: John Thornton

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Executive Assistant: Joanne Selucky

Pastoral Council: Deborah Hensel

Finance Council: Chris Nemeec

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 30, 2015

Saturday Aug. 29 6:00 PM † Vince Marek; † Frank & Annie Vrana; † Clint Butler; † Eileen Herrick & Hildegard Blenkush

Sunday Aug. 30 10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Tuesday Sept. 1 8:00 AM † Rudolf Matula

Wed Sept. 2 7:00 PM † Marie Repa (Opening Mass for RE)

Thurs Sept. 3 4:00 PM Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction

6:00 PM † Amy Wolf (Healing Mass)

Friday Sept. 4 8:00AM † Lydia Pekar

Saturday Sept. 5 8:00AM † Margaret Wolf

4:00PM Bazaar Workers' Mass (Come in your work clothes)

6:00PM † Carmen Razo; † Vince Marek; † Margie Hajda; † Joseph & Donna Poplawski

Sunday Sept. 6 10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for Healing: Arthur Palla, Effie Pekar Skrhak, Danny Stefek, Sr., Mary Labaj, Ann Thompson, Alice Hajda, Heidi Ehrhardt, Edwin Matysek, Anton Sladeczek, Nina Ash, Curtis Ging, Bernice Vrabel, Roselle Fischler, Minnie Perez, Josh Hughes, Ann Pease, Larry Maresh, Bennie Bartosh, Deacon John Thornton, Nicole Geil, Alice Taisler, Joseph Campos, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana. (New list begins September 13/Please call the office if your loved one needs to remain on the list.)

Offering: Sunday: \$3,505.00 Children: \$17.00 Bazaar Collection: \$3,292.00 Thank you

Liturgical Ministers September 5-6

Saturday 6PM Lector: Deborah Hensel/Marilyn Gaydos Servers: Garret Repa, Jose Campos

Music: Traditional Choir EMHC: Henrietta Hajda, Beatrice Perez, Louis Repa, Lawrence Novak

Sunday 10AM Lector: Darve Horak/Virginia Lee Servers: Delia, Anthony & Elaina Aleman

Music: Teresa Caslavka EMHC: Virginia Lee, Rita Marburger, Trish Lopez, Greg Gonzalez

Route EMHC: Deborah Hensel, Barbara Hill, John Pavelka, Theresa Valdez

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Mark & Wendy White 10AM: Lillian Pacha

Calendar of Events

Sunday Aug. 30 : 11AM Bingo Kitchen (Dirty Barbeque)

Monday Aug. 31 : 7PM Yoga Year V (DPC)/NO YOGA Sept. 7—Labor Day

Tuesday Sept. 1 : 5PM Bingo Kitchen—BBQ Pulled pork on bun, sandwiches, fries, nachos

Wednesday Sept. 2 : 7PM Opening Mass for Religious Education—Family members are encouraged to attend

: First Communion parent meeting after Mass

Thursday Sept. 3 : 5-8PM Hall Set Up for Bazaar

Saturday Sept. 5 : 8AM First Saturday Mass/ No 1st Saturday Bible Study this month

Sunday Sept. 6 : 11AM Parish Bazaar

Parish

KC installation of officers will be Sunday, Aug 30th after bingo at the hall. All members and their families & KC widows are invited. Social time will begin at 5p with ceremony and dinner to follow. Desserts are welcome.

Flowers: (Main Front) In honor of Owen Richard Weigand's Baptism.

Parish Bazaar: Thank you for your generous support to the Bazaar and BBQ collections.

Each family is asked to donate one item for the desserts or cake walk, one bingo prize (\$5-7) and one auction item. Clearance Sales and Back to School Sales are great places to find items for the bazaar.

Donations are now being accepted for the meat at the bazaar. If you would like to make a donation, contact the parish office or Johnnie Naizer 512-859-2542 or drop in the collection basket marked BBQ donation.

Religious Education & Youth Ministry

First Communion: If your child is in the 2nd grade or your child needs sacraments (Baptism and/or First Communion) and is in the 3rd grade or higher, please attend the First Communion meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 2 after the opening R.E. Mass at 7:00. It is important that all parents attend.

The Upper Room will meet on Sundays in August. We will resume our regular schedule on Wednesday before R.E. beginning Sept. 2.

ROAR II Progress Report ~We are 66% of the way there! Get those pledges in today!

Updated report next weekend—Information not available at print time.

Please continue to pray for the success of our Church Restoration. A huge thank you goes to all who have made their pledges. Remember no amount is too small or too large when it comes from the heart.

Our Goal is \$150,000 which will replace our pews, carpet and cover any incidentals that may occur.

Thank you to 60 parish families who have answered the call. May God bless you abundantly.

Pledged: \$71,015.00 [Paid as of August 21, 2015: \$40,930.00]

Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30 Memorials and Donations: \$6,070.00

\$150,000-98,250.30=\$51,749.70 needed to reach our goal

Parish Bazaar, Sunday, September 6

7AM: BBQ to go at the Pit

11AM-until we run out: BBQ, Fried Chicken, Dressing and Trimmings

Adult Plates: \$10 Child Plates: \$5

Take out Plates available inside at the Kitchen Counter \$10/no special requests

11AM-12:30PM Drive Thru (\$10)

2-10PM: Chili Dogs, Nachos, Chicken Salad & BBQ Sandwiches available in Kitchen

12 Noon: Games~1:30PM Live Auction & Prize Bingo

7-11PM Dance by Fritz Hodde & the Fabulous Six (\$8)

Message from Our Pastor

The relationship between communal food and religion has been a rather important one in all religions. In today's gospel, Jesus deflects criticism of himself by teaching that the heart of morality is superior to rituals and rules for eating.

EXEGESIS:

Despite the length of this gospel reading, its message is simple and straightforward yet important. Some Jewish leaders criticize Jesus for allowing his disciples to eat without first washing their hands. This is not a concern over hygiene but over the purification rituals of Jewish tradition and hence the authority behind their religion. These leaders do not like Jesus usurping religious authority. Jesus, knowing the hypocrisy of these leaders, turns the criticism against them. In doing so, he makes an enormous shift of morality from external adherence to written human laws to internal adherence to God's revealed commandments. When Jesus says that food "enters not the heart but the stomach," He is referring to the Jewish belief that the heart is the symbolic center of the will and spirituality. Thus so-called unclean food will not affect the moral core of a person. Moreover, with this teaching, Jesus again pronounces himself as the supreme interpreter of moral law, precisely because He comes from God.