



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Religious Education: Coordinator: Virginia Loza Lee 512-859-2634 sscmre@gmail.com

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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Executive Assistant: Joanne Selucky

Pastoral Council: Deborah Hensel

Finance Council: Chris Nemeec

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time—July 5, 2015

Saturday July 4	6:00 PM	† Louis & Cecilia Vrana; † Agnes Stojanik; † Margie Hajda; Martha Cervenka (85 th Birthday)
Sunday July 5	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday July 7	8:00 AM	† August Motloch, Sr.; † Dorothea Mokry
Wed July 8	6:00 PM	† Joseph & Donna Poplawski; † Isabelle Cameron
Thurs July 9	10:00AM	Granger Villa: † Lillie Cervenka
	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	† Lydia Pekar
Friday July 10	8:00AM	† Vicente Estrada
Saturday July 11	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday July 12	10:00AM	† George Vrana; † Alphonse Polasek; † Johnny & Antonia Knapek, Nathan Huf Wesley & Henrietta Hajda 45 th Wedding Anniversary

We pray for Healing: Nina Ash, Curtis Ging, Bernice Vrabel, Roselle Fischler, Minnie Perez, Josh Hughes, Ann Pease, Larry Maresh, Bennie Bartosh, Deacon John Thornton, Donald Pacha, Nicole Geil, Alice Taisler, Joseph Campos, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana *(Please contact office when the immediate need of prayer has passed.)

For the repose of the soul of Emmanuel Davila Juarez. May he rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,052.00

Children: \$27.00

Peter's Pence: \$1,354.00

Thank you.

Liturgical Ministers July 11-12

Saturday 6PM Lector: Ronnie Steffek/Marilyn Gaydos Servers: William & Nicholas Novak
Music: Volunteer EMHC: JoAnn Pavelka, Marilyn Gaydos, George & Kate Strmiska

Sunday 10AM Lector: Rose Unnasch/John Unnasch Servers: Kurt Kaderka, Dwayne Gaida
Music: Kathy Janke EMHC: Trish Lopez, Rita Marburger, Greg Gonzalez, Theresa Valdez

Route EMHC: Kate Strmiska, Marilyn Gaydos, Frankie & Shirley Volek, JoAnn Pavelka

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Bernice Jezisek

Thank you for your generous support of our Holy Father's Peter's pence.

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

Granger Food Pantry collection is this week. Next distribution is July 16. June reports are in the main entrance foyer.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday July 5 : 11:30AM KJT #28 hamburgers-Proceeds benefit the Granger Food Pantry
- : 2PM KJT meeting (Hall)
- Tuesday July 7 : Happy 14th Ordination Anniversary to Fr. Chris
- Sunday July 12 : 6PM ROAR II Kick off (Hall)

Parish

A huge thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make our Parish Picnic a success. The funds make it possible to provide a quality religious education to both our young and mature parishioners. Thanks again and God bless you all.

Save the Date: July 12 at 6PM in the Parish Hall. Full presentation of the 2016 Restoration of our beloved Church.

Congratulations to Callen Hajda for attaining High Academic Honors distinction at St. Dominic Savio Catholic High School for the 4th marking period.

Two new Bible Studies are coming soon to SSCM. **If interested in joining either study**, please remember that the DEADLINE to register is **JULY 6TH, 2015**.

If interested, please contact Mary Geil 512.576.7371 or email mgeil58g@gmail.com

ACTS – The Spread of the Kingdom with Jeff Cavins begins August 1st, 2015 and every 1st Saturday, except for Labor Day, and ends March 5, 2016 from 8:45-1:30. We will be meeting at the DPC and viewing three Videos each meeting. This is a 20 week study, but has been condensed into 7 meetings for your convenience. This study will show the role of the Holy Spirit in bringing Christ and the good news to the ends of the earth. The power behind the Church. The cost is \$30.00.

WALKING TOWARD ETERNITY, Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart with Jeff Cavins begins, Monday, October 5, 2015 and every Monday through Thanksgiving from 8:30-10:30 in the DPC. This is an 8 week study that can open our eyes to obstacles in our Christian walk. Do you ever struggle with anger, fear, loneliness or hopelessness? Do you ever feel enslaved by shame, envy or your appetites? Learn the practical ways to overcome. The cost is \$20.00.

Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Items for VBS: If you able to lend or give any of the items previously requested for Vacation Bible School, please bring them on Wednesday, July 8, from 7-9pm or call Virginia at [512-859-2634](tel:512-859-2634) or email sscmre@gmail.com to arrange pick up. Items needed were skis, snow shoes, Christmas trees, Christmas lights, camping gear, or climbing gear. All items will be returned after VBS. Thank you.

All children are invited to Everest VBS: Conquering Challenges With God's Mighty Power! A summer kids' event called Everest VBS will be hosted from July 13 to July 17. At Everest, kids discover what it means to hold on to God's mighty power in everyday life. Kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures, collect Bible Memory Buddies to remind them of God's love, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Summit Celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 8:15 in the Upper Room. Everest is for kids from Pre-K to 5th grade and will run from 5:45 to 8:30 each day. For more information, call [512-859-2634](tel:512-859-2634), email sscmre@gmail.com or register online at www.groupvbsspro.com/vbs/ez/sscmre. A \$15 goodwill offering will be taken to cover expenses. No child will be turned away for lack of payment. Please register early to ensure all supplies and T-shirts are ordered. If you are registering on July 13, please arrive at 5:30.

Message from our Pastor

In today's gospel, Jesus encounters basic rejection by his home town of Nazareth. This incident gives us insight into his family background and his understanding of his person and mission.

EXEGESIS:

Jesus briefly returns to his native town of Nazareth and teaches. The people there marvel at his wisdom and at stories of his miracles. Yet, surprisingly, most of them do not believe in Him. They reject "the local boy makes good" idea, because they know his humble background and poor family. In Jewish society, a man was known as the son of his father, so it is unusual here that Jesus is described as the socially inferior "son of Mary." Perhaps Joseph is dead by this time; or maybe Mark is repeating the insulting term which was publicly used; or this might be an indication of Mark's admiration for Mary. Only Mark describes Jesus himself as a "carpenter" (or literally, "a craftsman," not necessarily a carpenter). Mark repeats the use of the Hebrew "brothers" and "sisters" in his Greek, which mean "nephews, nieces, half-siblings, cousins" as well as "siblings." Thus Jesus' siblings would be Joseph's children from his possible prior marriage, or would be Jesus' cousins (extended families lived together in those days). Interestingly, the lack of faith of most of the townspeople prevents Jesus from working miracles there; He will not impose himself on them (and us) if we are not willing to accept Him. And Jesus identifies himself with the Old Testament prophets, implying his future rejection and death.