



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Parish Hall: 500 West Davilla Street (512)859-2236 sscmhall@gmail.com

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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 23, 2015

Saturday Aug. 22	6:00 PM	†Margie Hajda; †August Svehlak, Jr.; † Elizabeth Marek; † Orpha & Jack McGarghan
Sunday Aug. 23	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday Aug. 25	8:00 AM	† Henry V. & Elizabeth Marek
Wed Aug. 26	6:00 PM	† Joseph & Donna Poplawski
Thurs Aug. 27	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	† Rudy Hajda; † Karen Roasa & Lydia Pekar
Friday Aug. 28	8:00AM	† Julie Kaderka
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

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.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,920.20 Children: \$16.00 Assumption: \$759.00 Thank you

Liturgical Ministers August 29-30

Saturday 6PM	Lector: Lawrence Novak/Blanca Olivas	Servers: Aaron & James Arellano Cortez
	Music: Traditional Choir	EMHC: Diana Kerlin, Doc Pekar, Deborah Hensel, JoAnn Pavelka
Sunday 10AM	Lector: Mark & Wendy White	Servers: Brian, Emily & Evan Polasek
	Music: Darve & Karen	EMHC: Dennis & Michelle Messex, Griselda Steglich, Elena Castro

Route EMHC: Baldo & Rosalva Degollado, Margaret Vrana, Diana Kerlin

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Esther Villarreal

Special collection this weekend is for the expenses for the Parish Bazaar. Expenses are usually \$12,000+

Flowers: (Main Front) In memory of Margie Hajda for her birthday from her family.

Calendar of Events

Sunday	Aug. 23	: 11AM Bingo Kitchen (Dirty Barbeque)
Monday	Aug. 24	: 7PM Yoga Year V (DPC)
Tuesday	Aug. 25	: 5PM Bingo Kitchen—Enchiladas, super nachos, frito pie.
Wednesday	Aug. 26	: 7PM Religious Ed Registration
		: 7:30PM RE Teacher Meeting
Sunday	Aug. 30	: 11AM Bingo Kitchen (Dirty Barbeque)

Do you have a child attending a Catholic School? If so, applications are available at the front entrance of the church to apply for tuition assistance from the SS. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church Trust Fund. Funds will be distributed for this school year. Please return no later than September 1, 2015, to the parish office or drop in the collection basket.

Parish

Parish Bazaar:

We will be toasting bread for the dressing for the Bazaar on Tuesday, August 25th at the Hall starting at 8 AM. Anyone who would like to help is more than welcome. Please call JoAnn (512-656-7162) or just show up that morning. Thank you in advance!!

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

Religious Education registration will be Aug. 26 at 7:00pm at the SSCM School. We will have treats for the kids. By registering your child early, we are able to have all the necessary supplies and books for the new year. For returning students, please bring your registration information that you will be receiving through the mail.

R.E. Teacher's Meeting on Aug. 26 at 7:30PM in the DPC. All teachers, aides and those interested in helping with the program are asked to attend. (Please note correction from last weekend)

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

What Is The Meaning and Purpose of My Life? How Do I Find Happiness and Fulfillment? If you're wondering if there's more to life than just "getting by" and are ready to focus on what really matters, then discover the extraordinary Catholic teaching, given to us by Pope John Paul II known as the Theology of the Body. It will give you a revolutionary and fulfilling vision for life, as it offers a new way to authentically see yourself, your faith, your relationships, and your world. In *An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan For Your Life*, an adult faith formation program, renowned author and theologian Christopher West unfolds God's extraordinary plan for all of humanity. If you desire to live out the fullest meaning and purpose of your life, then join us for this amazing discovery! This DVD and workbook study will be held on 8 consecutive Tuesdays beginning September 15 at 7:00pm. The cost is only \$15 and includes all course materials. For more information and to register, contact Virginia Loza-Lee at sscmre@gmail.com or 512-859-2634.

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

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

Message from Our Pastor

Despite his difficult teachings, Christ remains the only path which the disciples and we today must take to encounter God the Father in his fullness.

EXEGESIS:

The "hard saying" here which Jesus' own disciples find difficult to accept probably refers to his teaching in last Sunday's gospel that they must eat and drink his mystical body and blood, and which most of the regular Jews found repugnant. But the "hard saying" might also refer to Jesus' claim to have come from heaven to reveal the Father's word, because He contrasts this with a reference to another glorious event, his return to heaven in the near future. It is typical of Jesus in John's gospel to read others' minds, so Jesus is not so surprised when some of his own disciples are faltering in their belief and began to leave Him permanently.

Now Jesus turns to his special twelve disciples (the apostles) and challenges their commitment to Him. The future head of the apostles, Peter, with his usual spontaneity and passion, declares complete belief in Jesus on behalf of the Twelve. Yes, it is only Christ the Lord who will lead them (and us) to the fullness of the heavenly Father.