



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.

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Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

Pastor: Very Rev. Chris Ferrer

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Epiphany of the Lord—January 3, 2016

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| Saturday | Jan. 2 | 8:00AM | For all the Priests who served SSCM (Fr. Joseph Nisari) |
| | | 6:00PM | Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Fr. Joseph Nisari) |
| Sunday | Jan. 3 | 10:00AM | †Julie Tomasek; † Edith Kurtin; † Emil & Martha Bohac (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| Tuesday | Jan. 5 | 8:00AM | † Isabelle Cameron; †Frank, Annie & George Vrana (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| Wednesday | Jan. 6 | 8:00AM | † Johnny Michalek; † Frank J. Mikulencak (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| Thursday | Jan. 7 | 4:00PM | Adoration/Confession/Daily Prayer/Benediction (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| | | 6:00PM | † Mary & Frank Knapek (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| Friday | Jan. 8 | 8:00AM | † Alfred Vrana (Fr. Stephen Nestrsta) |
| Saturday | Jan. 9 | 6:00PM | Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Fr. Hilario Guajardo) |
| Sunday | Jan.10 | 10:00AM | †Minnie Mazoch; †Alfred Cervenka, Jr.; †Tim Martinka; the health of Evelyn Matula (Fr. Hilario Guajardo) |

We pray for Healing: Joyce Kincl Dobias, Josh Hughes, Tim Jezisek, Dennis Henry, Albert Hajda, Joe Perez, Bobby Bohac, Ann Geil, John Gonzales, Rudy Bohac, Nina Ash, Lee Gaydos, William Pedroza, Sharon Long, George Remerdo, Robert Degollado, Nicole Geil, Linda Dlouhy, Brianna Rivera, Edwin Matysek, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana. *

We pray for the repose of the souls of Martha Zrubek and Louis Kaderka. May they rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,652.00 Children: \$93.79 Christmas: \$5,442.00 Holy Family: \$1,163.00

Liturgical Ministers January 9-10 (New Altar Server list January thru May is in the Sacristy)

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| Saturday | 6PM | Lector: Mark & Wendy White | Servers: William & Nicholas Novak, Garret Repa |
| | | Music: Volunteer | EMHC: Mark & Wendy White, JoAnn Pavelka, Terry Pekar |
| Sunday | 10AM | Lector: Rose & John Unnasch | Servers: Sarah Arellano, Marcus Belcher, Mario Gonzalez |
| | | Music: Kathy Janke | EMHC: Greg Gonzalez, Mary Pavlat, Dennis & Michelle Messex |

Route EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Barbara Taisler, Margaret Vrana, JoAnn Pavelka

RE Store: 6PM: Gail Heger 10AM: Hortense Svehlak

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

Granger Food Pantry collection begins today. Distribution day will be Thursday January 21.

Calendar of Events

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| Sunday | Jan. 3 | : 11:30AM KJT Bingo Kitchen—Hamburgers/2PM KJT Meeting |
| | | : 5PM Farewell Party for Fr. Chris |
| Monday | Jan. 4 | : 7PM KC meeting/Last day to register for Monday Morning Bible Study (February 1 – April 11, 2016) |
| Tuesday | Jan. 5 | : 5PM Bingo Kitchen—Nachos, Taco Salads & Chicken Salad Sandwiches |
| Sunday | Jan. 10 | : Parish Council Meeting after the 10AM Mass |

We will be taking down the Nativity next Sunday (Jan. 10): We are in need of some strong guys to help carry the bulky items for us and we also need ladies to help wrap the statues and pack them in boxes. Please meet at the church at 3:00pm.

Parish

We will be sending Fr. Chris off to his next assignment with a “SSCM Farewell and Best Wishes Party” on January 3 at 5PM in the Parish Hall. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite dish (Entrée, Side Dish, Dessert) to share. Drinks will be provided and the bar will be open. Please make every effort to come show your appreciation for his short time with us.

2015 Tax Letters: If you requested a 2014 Tax Letter you will automatically receive a 2015 letter. If you did not request one last year and need one please call the Parish Office 512-859-2223 or email sscmchurch@gmail.com

Remember to pick up your envelopes in the Cryroom. Please write your name and the amount on your tithing envelopes. This is a courtesy to keep our database accurate and a time saver for our counters. If you would like to begin using envelopes please call or email the parish office and one will be waiting for you the next weekend. New families are also asked to fill out a registration form which is available by the tithing boxes.

Musicians: We need you. If you play piano, organ or guitar please call the office for more information on playing for Mass.

Annulment Seminar: Due to the changes being implemented in the annulment process beginning December 8 an inquiry session is being planned to provide information and answer questions. If you or someone you know are interested in attending please contact the Parish Office via phone or email. Date and time will be confirmed according to interest.

Did you receive something you cannot use or want this Christmas? Religious Ed. Would like to take it off your hands. We are collecting items for our annual raffle. If you would like to donate, please contact Virginia at sscmre@gmail.com or **512-859-9005**. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Area Events

Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill invites you to their annual RE/CYM Fundraiser on Sunday, January 17(with an additional 10:30 a.m. Mass as well). Join us for a delicious, homemade meal of Chicken-fried Pork Cutlets with all the trimmings, served from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Adults \$9 and Children \$5. Drive-thru to-go line available. We will also have a Silent Auction during the meal. Proceeds will benefit the children and youth in our CCE & CYM programs.

Please join **Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter** as we celebrate our **13th Annual Benefit Banquet** Friday, February 5th, 2016 at the Bell County Expo Center. This year’s Banquet will feature Bishop Daniel E. Garcia. Social and Bucket Raffle 6-7 pm followed by a Dinner and Program 7:15-9 pm. Tickets are \$50.00/person or \$375.00/table of 8. Contact St. Luke Parish **254-773-1561**. All proceeds will be used for the sole purpose of operating and maintaining the shelter.

ROAR II Progress Report ~ We have exceeded our goal! 107%

Because of your generous support additional improvements will be possible with excess funds pledged toward this project. Make your pledge or donation today!

125 of 400+ parish families (Businesses) have answered the call. Pledge cards are available by the Church Rendition in the foyer.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly. You may drop your pledge/payments in the collection basket.

Pledged: \$125,580.68 80 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30 Memorials and Donations: \$13,570.33

\$150,000-160,316.31= (\$10,316.31) OVER our goal

Message from Our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

Happy New Year wishes to you all and may your 2016 be filled with many blessings. Thank you to all of you for your kindness and patience shown to me during my time here at SSCM. Your piety and commitment to your church has strengthened me and my priesthood and I will be forever grateful. Granger will always be my ‘home’ and you will always be in my thoughts and prayers. Please continue to pray for me as I continue my journey in faith.

Sincerely and with God’s blessing,

Fr. Chris

Epiphany House Blessing

Using blessed chalk, mark the current year and the initials of the Magi above the outside doorways to your home. Place a cross in between each of the letters. It should look something like this. 20+C+M+B+16

After completing the above markings, pray the following prayer:

“May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord of all people forever and ever. Amen.”

The legendary names of the three Magi are: *Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar*. (KMB in Czech) The initials C-M-B also stand for the Latin words “Christus Mansionem Benedicat” which means: *“May Christ bless this dwelling.”*

The markings over the doors should be left all year round as a sign that yours is a Christian home.