



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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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 (DPC)

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

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

Nursing Home Masses: Granger Villa 2nd Thursday/Will O Bell 3rd Thursday

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.

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Pastoral Council: Deborah Hensel

Finance Council: Chris Nemeck

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Fourth Sunday Of Lent—March 6, 2016

Saturday	March 5	8:00AM	George Sr. & Thomas Strmiska (DPC)
		6:00PM	†Johnny Michalek; †Edd & Angeline Sladeczek, Ed Cmerek; †Martha & Emil Bohac; †Dennis Martinka; †Vicente Estrada
Sunday	March 6	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday	March 8	12:00PM	†Frank V. Tomasek / Reconciliation: 1-2:30PM (DPC)
Wednesday	March 9	6:00PM	†Art Geil; †Eddie & Mary Karkoska (DPC)
Thursday	March 10	10:00AM	Granger Villa: For the greater respect of all human life
		4:00PM	Adoration/Confession/Daily Prayer/Benediction (DPC)
		6:00PM	†Msgr. Ed Rabroek; †Rosie & Johnnie Bohac (DPC)
Friday	March 11	8:00AM	†Bernard & Lillian Mikulencak / Stations of the Cross following Mass (DPC)
		7:00PM	Stations of the Cross (DPC)
Saturday	March 12	6:00PM	†JD Shirocky; †Alice Taisler; †Betty, Alfonse, Ted & Nicholas Stojanik; †Margie Hajda
Sunday	March 13	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Weekend Masses will be in the Parish Hall
Weekday Masses and Stations will be in the DPC Chapel

We pray for Healing: Patrick Vrabel, Gary Gonzalez, Eleanor Cuzzort, Barbara Blackman Matthews, Sally Hajda, Alice Hajda, Georgie Barnard, Albert Hajda, Nicole Geil, Karen Cervenka Mayer, Misty Gonzales, Charles Carpenter, Joyce Dobias, Josh Hughes, Bobby Bohac * (Remember this is for immediate need only)

We pray for the repose of the souls of Bennie Bartosh who was called to his heavenly home on March 1 and Wilbur Crenwelge (Karen Horak's Father) on March 2. May they rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,699.00 Children: \$21.50

Liturgical Ministers March 12-13

Saturday 6PM	Lector: Mark & Wendy White	Servers: Kyle & Karsyn Hamons
	Music: Volunteer	EMHC: Mark & Wendy White, Terry Pekar, Mike Vrana
Sunday 10AM	Lector: Rose & John Unnasch	Servers: Brian, Emily & Evan Polasek
	Music: Kathy Janke	EMHC: Trish Lopez, Greg Gonzalez, Baldo & Rosa Degollado

Route EMHC: Kate Strmiska, Marilyn Gaydos, Margaret Vrana, George Strmiska

RE Store will be open at the Hall during the Mexican Dinner

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

Granger Food Pantry collection this week. Please bring items to weekend or weekday Masses by Wednesday March 16.

Calendar of Events

Sunday	March 6	: 11AM Mexican Dinner and Raffle
Tuesday	March 8	: 6PM Finance Council Meeting (Rectory)
		: 5PM Lion's Club Chili Supper (Hall)
Wednesday	March 9	: 7PM RE
Thursday	March 10	: 7PM Pastoral Council Meeting (DPC)
Sunday	March 13	: 11:00AM Youth Ministry bingo kitchen—hamburgers

Area Penance Services:

Christ the King in Belton: Tuesday, March 8, 7:00 p.m.

St. Stephen in Salado: Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity of Corn Hill: Sunday, March 13 4:00 p.m. (following our 3:00 p.m. Holy Hour)

St. William of Round Rock: Monday, March 21, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Parish

SSCM RE holds Annual Fundraiser: this Sunday, March 6, 2016, Religious Ed. will hold its annual Mexican Dinner. The dinner consists of enchiladas, rice, beans, tea, and all the trimmings. Serving begins at 11:30am at the SSCM Parish Hall. Plates are \$8.50 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Desserts will be available for a separate price. Come shop at our Religious Article store and find some great bargains. Raffle tickets with 10 great prizes will also be sold. All donated desserts are welcomed. Thank you for your support.

A 3-hour Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Basic Workshop on child sexual abuse will be held *Tuesday, March 8 from 6:30-9:30pm in the School.* This workshop is part of the diocesan EIM policies that were adopted in January 2002 and revised in August 2008. **All clergy and paid staff, and all volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults,** at any parish or diocesan location, are required to complete a one-time Application for Ministry prior to beginning their work/service and attend an EIM workshop within 60 days of submitting the application. Please login to your EIM account (use the Alternate Login option if needed) to pre-register to attend an EIM workshop. Please do not bring children to an EIM workshop. Materials used in the workshop include testimonies from victims and perpetrators of sexual abuse; if you have any concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, please contact Emily Hurlimann at [\(512\) 949-2447](tel:5129492447) to make an alternative arrangement to receive your training. Such inquiries shall remain confidential.

Diocesan and Area Events

Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate a **Mass for Families** March 12 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Mary Cathedral Parish in Austin. Family life is under siege in the secular popular culture. Traditional marriage is redefined by the courts and family values are openly challenged in the media. The Mass will celebrate the family and all will pray for God's protection of the essential unit of our human society. A reception will follow the Mass, which is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the diocesan Office of Family Life. Additional resources, including a downloadable pdf copy of the new booklet "Building the Domestic Church – the Family Fully Alive," are available online at www.kofc.org/familyfullyalive.

A Divine Mercy Day of Reflection will be presented April 3 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Father Brian Eilers will lead this day which will focus on the life of St. Faustina and the message of Divine Mercy. Cost is \$25 with lunch included. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:2547802436) or orcedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

St. Joseph Parish in Cyclone will host its annual Springfest on Palm Sunday, March 20 in the parish Hall. A meal of home-fried chicken, sausage, dressing, noodles, cole slaw and dessert will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will also be a booth with homemade items for sale. Everyone is welcome!

The diocesan **Chrism Mass** will be celebrated March 22 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Austin. The holy oils for the year will be blessed and distributed during the Mass. **WE WILL NOT HAVE 12 NOON MASS AT SSCM.**

On April 4, many throughout the Austin Diocese will make or renew their **"Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary"** on the feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. The rosary and Mass will be offered on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord April 4 at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin at 6 p.m., at St. Helen Parish in Georgetown at 6:30 p.m., at St. Joseph Parish in Killeen at 5 p.m., at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Martindale at 6:30 p.m., at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Taylor at 6:30 p.m., and at St. Mary Parish in Temple at 6 p.m. For more information, visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org.

ROAR II Progress Report ~ We have exceeded our goal! 122%

131 of 400+ parish families (Businesses) have answered the call. Pledged: \$132,080.68

90 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$36,158.43 Memorials and Donations: \$14,395.33

\$150,000-182,634.44= (\$32,634.44) OVER our goal when all pledges are fulfilled

Restoration update: Pictures are posted on our website. www.sscmchurch.org and Facebook.

Only authorized personnel will be allowed into the church until the restoration is completed in July.

Although the Catholic Church in Texas had been recognized as early as 1847, congregations were widely scattered with few priests available to tend the fledgling flocks. However, despite all the seemingly insurmountable obstacles, in 1890, the citizens of the Czech-Catholic community of Granger decided to establish their own church. They met with one W. Keliehor who had offered them land west of Granger on which to build their church. This offer was refused in favor of building in the township of Granger itself. The MKT Railroad had come to the area and a prosperous business community was already establishing itself. As luck would have it, one W H Walton of Austin who owned a vast area of land just west of the newly established community, donated a site for the church for the token sum of \$1.00, at a location that would one day be part of the Walton Addition to the city of Granger. Jan Naizer and Jan Martinka journeyed to Austin to close the deal. (3) (2) (Taken from: A Narrative History Of The Congregation by Loretta Skrovan Mikulencak, Granger, Texas)