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Thursday

SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

Serving God's People and building His Kingdom since 1891

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SSCM Parish Office: <u>104 N. Brazos Street</u> Phone & Fax: (512) 859-2223

Office Hours: Tuesday -Friday: 9AM-1 PM (After hours by appointment)

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

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

Marriage Prep required/Darve & Karen Horak 512-859-2646 or darve.horak@gmail.com

Weekend Masses will

be in the Parish Hall

Weekday Masses and

Stations will be in the

DPC Chapel

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

Fifth Sunday Of Lent—March 13, 2016

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

Tuesday March 15 12:00PM † Johnny Michalek/ Reconciliation: 1-2:30PM (DPC)

Wednesday March 16 10:00AM Will O Bell: Health and wellbeing of residents (Note Date Change)

6:00PM †Cheryl Baker (DPC)

March 17 4:00PM Adoration/Confession/Daily Prayer/Benediction (DPC)

6:00PM † Rosilie Pavlat (DPC)

Friday March 18 8:00AM † Joe & Viola Sevcik/ Stations of the Cross following Mass (DPC)

7:00PM Stations of the Cross (DPC)

Saturday March 19 6:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Sunday March 20 10:00AM †Francisca Luna; †Edith Kurtin; †Joe & Agnes Stefek; †Rafael & Mercedes Rivera;

Deceased and living members of Zbranek & Karkoska Family

We pray for Healing: Patrick Vrabel, Gary Gonzalez, Eleanor Cuzzort, Barbara Blackman Matthews, Sally Hajda, Georgie Barnard, Nicole Geil, Misty Gonzales, Bobby Bohac * Names will no longer be published beginning April 1 to protect privacy.

Offering: Sunday: \$4,503.81 Children: \$35.00 Please remember your ROAR II pledge payments

Liturgical Ministers March 19-20

Saturday 6PM Lector: Blanca Olivas/Pat Greger Servers: Garret Repa, Jose Campos

Music: Volunteer EMHC: Marilyn Gaydos, JoAnn Pavelka, Ronnie Steffek, Henrietta Hajda

Sunday 10AM Lector: Patsy Polasek/Lillie Huf Servers: Marion Gonzalez, Sarah Arellano

Music: Guitar Group EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Deborah Hensel, Mary Pavlat, Elena Castro

Route EMHC: Virginia Loza Lee, Angie Pavelka, Deborah Spanel, JoAnn Pavelka

RE Store will be open at the School on Wednesdays from 6:30PM -7PM

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

Special collection next weekend: The Catholic Relief Services Collection supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts. Programs include relief and resettlement for victims of persecution, war, and natural disasters; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless.

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

Calendar of Events

Sunday March 13 : 11:00AM KJT bingo kitchen—hamburgers/2PM Bingo

Spring Break: Parish Offices will be open on as needed basis Tuesday-Thursday. Messages and Email will be monitored.

Tuesday March 15 : 5PM Bingo kitchen/ 7PM KC Bingo Sunday March 20 : 11:30AM KC Hamburgers/2PM Bingo

Area Penance Services:

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

St. Mary's Taylor: Sunday, March 20 7:00PM

St. William of Round Rock: Wednesday, March 16, 7p.m. and Monday, March 21, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Parish

Cemetery Clean up: It's Easter Time! Please remember to remove all faded flowers by March 20 or they will be removed by the caretakers. Also, remember NO GLASS of any kind is allowed at the cemetery.

2015 Parish Reports will be available at weekend Masses April 2-3.

Ashes to Easter: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. We can help make things new with small, yet joyful sacrifices. The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor. With continued generosity to the Ashes to Easter Lenten Mission Campaign, local missionaries are able to instruct, advise, console and comfort the poor in the mission areas they serve. Please be generous. Return boxes Easter Week.

SSCM RE holds Annual Fundraiser: I thank God for you!! The Religious Education Fundraiser was a HUGE success. Our \$6,037.62 profit was almost \$2,000 more than last year. This would not have been possible without your support. Thank you for coming out and purchasing plates and raffle tickets. Thank you to the parents, their students and volunteers who worked their shift, brought a dessert, and sold raffle tickets. A special thank you goes to Ellen and Dan Wolf for their generous donation.

Winners for the raffle were: \$300 gift card donated by a generous donor-Rudie Berger; \$100 gift card donated by KJT Society #28–Johnny; \$100 Gift Card donated by Paula and Eugene Marak-Nicholas Novak; \$50 Gift Card donated by a generous donor-Cindy McBee; Children's Bike donated by Mark and Wendy White-A. Rychlik; Kitchen Basket-Viviana Tutson; Date Night Basket-Griselda Steglich; Bling Basket-Gilbert Repa; Sports Basket-Michael Hernandez; Children's Basket-Amy Janecka.

An Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Refresher Workshop will be held *March 28 at 7:00-8:15pm in the School* – please arrive promptly as late arrivals will not be permitted entrance. All clergy and paid staff, and all volunteers working with youth and vulnerable adults, at any parish or diocesan location, are required to attend an EIM Refresher workshop every three years. 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. If you have any concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, please contact Emily Hurlimann at (512) 949-2447 to make an alternative arrangement to receive your training. Such inquiries shall remain confidential. If you took the Basic Workshop or Refresher in 2013 you are due to take a Refresher in 2016. Call Joanie or Virginia if you need help checking your status.

Diocesan and Area Events

On Good Friday a Pro-Life group from our Parish will go to South Austin to pray in front of the abortion clinic. If you would like to go, please call Diana at 512-859-2308/512-818-7723 or Theresa 254-657-2374. We plan to meet in the Church parking lot and leave at 8AM and return by noon.

Tickets for St. Mary's Catholic School's Spring Fling Saturday, April 23 in the school gym are on sale now in the school office. \$125 admits two and includes a meal, open bar, a live and silent auction as well as a "street" dance. Every ticket purchased will also be entered in a reverse raffle. Registration and social hour begins at 5:00 PM Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM All funds benefit St. Mary's Catholic School. For more information please contact Christie G. Salazar at 512-352-2313 or contact a local St. Mary's student family.

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

131 of 400+ parish families (Businesses) have answered the call. Pledged: \$132,080.68 (\$116,900.68 paid)

90 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$36,158.43 Memorials and Donations: \$15,090.33

\$150,000-183,329.44= (\$33,329.44) OVER our goal when all pledges are fulfilled

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

Such were the beginnings of the subject parish which encompassed an area bound on the south by the San Gabriel River and the Little River to the north. (2) (5) Construction of a white frame building was accomplished in 1891, and the first home of SS Cyril and Methodius parish was blessed by the Rev. Jos. Chromcik and dedicated to the two Czech patron saints. The painting of Cyril and Methodius that remains part of the current church was donated by one 0. R. Bartos. Val Bartos funded the large bell and Jan Martinka provided for the purchase of the "Stations of the Cross" icons. Services in the new church continued to be conducted by the pastor of the Taylor parish, now the Rev. Jak Lauth, whose fluency in the Czech language was limited. He, however, sought to rectify that situation by inviting (or coercing) the sole three Czech- speaking priests in the diocese, Jos. Chromcik of Fayetteville, Joseph Pelnar of Bryan and V Chlapik of Ellinger-Hostyn, to come to deliver sermons in the congregation's native tongue. (2)

(Taken from: A Narrative History Of The Congregation by Loretta Skrovan Mikulencak, Granger, Texas)