



## SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

*Serving God's People and building His Kingdom since 1891*

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

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Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday/Will O Bell 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (Subject to change)

Baptism: Class Required/Darve Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto: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: Rev. Hilario Guajardo**

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

### Fifth Sunday of Easter April 24, 2016

Saturday	April 23	6:00PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Hall)
Sunday	April 24	10:00AM	†Johnny & Vlasta Michalek; †JD Shirocky; †Frank & Elizabeth Kollaja; †Alfonso R. Luna, Sr. (Hall)
Tuesday	April 26	12:00PM	†Jack & Orpha McGarghan; † Mary Labaj (DPC)
Wednesday	April 27	6:00PM	† Bernice Vrabel; † Henrietta & Pete Wolf (DPC)
Thursday	April 28	4:00PM	Adoration/4:30-5:30pm Confession/Evening Prayer/Benediction (DPC)
		6:00PM	†Martha Zrubek, Emil & Cecilia Zrubek (DPC)
Friday	April 29	8:00AM	† Emil, John & Rose Knapek (DPC)
Saturday	April 30	NO CONFESSIONS THIS SATURDAY	
		6:00PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Hall)
Sunday	May 1	10:00AM	Martin & Frantiska Vrabel Family; † Frank Tomasek; † Fred Strmiska & Donna Davidson; † Lillian & John David; † Bennie Bartosh (Hall)

[Apologies for incorrect Mass Intentions for last weekend in the announcements at Mass. Saturday Mass Intentions for April 16 were for:

† Georgia Naizer; † Clarence Vanek; † Martha Zrubek; † Margie & \*VJ Hajda; † Brent Svehlak]

Offering: Sunday: \$4,163.00

Children: \$23.00

**Liturgical Ministers** April 30-May 1 (Anyone interested in serving as Lector, Music or Server please contact the Office.)

Saturday 6PM Lectors: Marilyn Gaydos/Deborah Hensel Servers: Jose Campos, Garret Repa

Music: Guitar Group EMHC: Deborah Hensel, Terry Pekar, Paula Marak, Marilyn Gaydos

Sunday 10AM Lectors: Darve Horak/Lillie Huf Servers: Marcus Belcher, Albert Martinez

Music: Kathy Janke EMHC: Dennis & Michelle Messex, Baldo & Rosalva Degollado

**Route EMHC:** Deborah Hensel, Marilyn Gaydos, Frankie & Shirley Volek, Rosanne Naizer

**RE Store** is open after weekend Masses in the south west corner of the Hall.

Please also remember to continue making your payments and donations to the **ROAR II Fund**. Thank you for your generous support of our parish and the upkeep of our campus.

### *Calendar of Events*

Sunday April 24 : 11AM KJZT hamburgers/2PM Bingo

Tuesday April 26 : 5PM Bingo kitchen—Enchiladas, super nachos, nachos and Frito pies

Wednesday April 27 : 7PM RE

Saturday April 30 : NO Confessions

Sunday May 1 : 11:30AM KJT hamburgers

**Treat a Mom, Help a Youth:** Youth Ministry would like to bake something for your mother! They will be selling baked goods on Sunday, May 8 after the 10am Mass. If you would like to pre-order, please contact Virginia for items available @512-859-2634 or [sscmre@gmail.com](mailto:sscmre@gmail.com). All proceeds will go towards the Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference. Thank you for your support.

*Parish*

**Save the Date:** May 14-15 is Pentecost Weekend remember to WEAR RED. We will begin a Novena to the Holy Spirit on Friday, May 6 then join us for a Pentecost Vigil on Saturday after the 6PM Mass which will include Adoration, Praise and Worship, Rosary and Meditation Time. More information next week.

**We are currently collecting pictures** to create a history book of our parish as we celebrate 125 years. If you have any pictures particularly of the early Church, please leave at the Parish Office or call Darve Horak 512-818-5064 for pickup. Scanned pictures can be emailed digitally to [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com). All pictures must be received by May 15. Due to space, not every submitted picture will be used.

**Our traveling Blessed Mother Mary** is now available for dates beginning throughout the rest of the year. Please sign up at the south entrance of the hall. Thank you to all who have invited her into their homes so far. May you all be showered with many blessings!

*Diocesan and Area Events*

**St. Joseph's Annual Mayfest** sponsored by the Rockdale Knights of Columbus Council 7014 will be held May 1 at the Rockdale KC Hall, Hwy. 79 East in Rockdale. The celebration will begin at 11 a.m. A barbecue beef and sausage dinner will be served \$9 per plate. Kolaches and pastries will be available. Live auction will begin at 12:30 p.m., and other activities will include a silent auction, plant booth, music, cake walk, inside/outside games and prizes.

**Are you looking for a family-fun NEON GLOW good time?** On May 7th the 4th annual Saints & Sinners After-Dark 5k kicks off for hundreds and hundreds at sunset. St Patrick Catholic Church & charity-partner BCRC (Breast Cancer Resource Center) will be hosting this spectacular event for families & friends all ages, sizes and "wattages". Get Your Neon On! More details: [www.saintsandsinners5k.com](http://www.saintsandsinners5k.com) or call 512- 593-2523.

**Aging with Grace and Wisdom**, a day of reflection, will be held May 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. During this day, specific attention will be given to six spiritual tasks of aging: Letting go, No regrets, Meaning, Legacy, Forgiveness and Solitude. The cost is \$35, which includes a light breakfast and lunch. To pre-register, visit [www.ewrc.org](http://www.ewrc.org).

**Refinishing of Sacred Vessels and Tabernacles:** In preparation for our 125<sup>th</sup>/100<sup>th</sup> Parish & Church celebration several items in the church were in need of refinishing. Several other items are open for sponsorship. Once again thank you for your generous support of this project. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

1. 6 Candlesticks @\$240.00 each/Available for sponsorship
2. 1 Altar Cross (Sponsored by Pam & James Pekar)
3. Antique Monstrance with Luna (Sponsored by Carmen & Sylvia Luna Family, David & Gloria Jonse Family, Rosa Luna)
4. 2 Candelabras (Sponsored by Greg & Griselda Steglich/ VJ Hajda Family)
5. Various Followers/Drip Protectors/Liners (Sponsored by Lad & Thelma Naizer)

**ROAR II Progress Report ~ We have exceeded our goal! 126+%**

134 of 400+ parish families (Businesses) have answered the call. Pledged: \$135,280.68 (\$123,850.68 paid)  
97 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$39,133.43 Memorials and Donations: \$15,775.33  
\$150,000-190,189.44= (\$40,189.44) OVER our goal when all pledges are fulfilled

**Restoration update:** Pictures are posted on our website. [www.sscmchurch.org](http://www.sscmchurch.org) and Facebook.

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

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In a sense, the history of SS Cyril and Methodius is synonymous with the history of the township of Granger, itself. So assimilated into the fabric of life in this new world had become the Czech Catholic pioneers that their influence shaped, for all time, the unique face of this community.

Under the stewardship of Rev. Frantisek Pridal, the church grew and prospered as well. As the membership of the congregation increased, three rooms were added to the old frame school house at a cost of \$700. In 1912 it became necessary to construct a new school building, a two story frame structure with four classrooms on the ground floor and a huge parish hall on the second. The upper floor was utilized as a meeting place for the many parish organizations that had sprung up as well as a site for various parish celebrations. Dramas and plays in the Czech language were also enacted there regularly during this period of the cultural growth of the community. (2)

The Sisters of Divine Providence continued to attend to the children of the parish. Most of the sisters were versed in the Czech language so that aspect of the congregation continued to be incorporated into the education of the children of the community. (2)

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