



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Office Hours: Tuesday -Friday: 9AM-1 PM (Joanne Selucky)

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

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

Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1st Saturdays 8:30AM (FMI: Virginia Loza 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

Nursing Home Masses: Granger Villa 2nd Thursday/Will O Bell 3rd Thursday (Subject to change)

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: Rev. Hilario Guajardo

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Pastoral Council: Deborah Hensel

Finance Council: Chris Nemeč

Holy Cross Cemetery: Parish Office

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 10, 2017

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| Saturday | Dec. 9 | 6:00PM | Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish |
| Sunday | Dec. 10 | 10:00AM | † George Vrana; † Frank & Betty Cervenka, Carolyn Borst; † Cyril & Frances Polasek; † Charlie Pajestka; † Edwin & Marie Repa; † John Pavlat |
| Tuesday | Dec. 12 | 12:00PM | † Hortense Svehlak; Arnold Repa Family |
| Wednesday | Dec. 13 | 7:00PM | † Nell Delgado (Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass) |
| Thursday | Dec. 14 | 10:00AM | Granger Villa: † Frances Steffek |
| NO Evening Services or Mass on Thursday | | | |
| Friday | Dec. 15 | 8:00AM | † Bernice Vlabel; † Albina Dykowski |
| Saturday | Dec. 16 | 6:00PM | Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish |
| Sunday | Dec. 17 | 10:00AM | † Tim Martinka; † Charlie Pajestka; † Margarito & Maria Perez; † Josephine Baca |

We pray for the repose of the souls of Gloria Stefek Willis and Maria Ofelia Perez. May they rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$4,518.93 Children: \$24.00 Religious Retirement: \$1,383.00

Liturgical Ministers December 16-17

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| Saturday | 6PM | Lector: Ronnie Steffek | EMHC: JoAnn Pavelka, Terry Pekar, Beatrice Perez, Mark White |
| | | Music: Volunteer | Servers: Kyle & Karsyn Hamons, Garret Repa, Onesimo Rodriguez |
| Sunday | 10AM | Lector: Darve Horak | EMHC: Deborah Hensel, Regina Carlson, Rosa Degollado, Lille Huf |
| | | Music: Guitar Group | Servers: Andrew & Ronnie Vlabel, Albert Martinez |

Route EMHC: Theresa Hajda, Esther Villarreal, Frankie & Shirley Volek, Paula Marak

Religious Articles Store: 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Lillian Pacha

Special collection this weekend is Parish Building and Maintenance Fund.

Granger Food Pantry What Can You Do? Cold weather is coming! We need to restock our pantry with comfort and warming foods. Items needed are soups, canned vegetables, tuna, chili, spaghetti sauce, ketchup, mustard, pastas, breakfast items, desserts, sugar free jello and pudding. Toiletries, laundry soaps, shampoos are welcomed and **money** can always be used to purchase needed groceries. This Christmas we will be giving families a small ham. Any monetary donation to purchase the hams will be welcomed! **Next Food Pantry:** The next food pantry will be December 21 **from 12:00 – 4:00**. Please deliver your donations to the church office the day before.

Calendar of Events

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| Sunday | Dec. 10 | : Diocesan Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary (See announcement) |
| | | : 11AM Youth Ministry bingo kitchen—hamburgers, fries, desserts/2PM KC Bingo |
| | | : Legion of Mary Rosary: 1:30PM Will O Bell/3PM Granger Villa |
| Tuesday | Dec. 12 | : 5PM Kitchen-hotdogs, sausage wraps, chicken salad sandwiches, nachos and super nachos 7PM KC Bingo |
| Wednesday | Dec. 13 | : 7PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass followed by a Reception at the Hall (Everyone is invited) |
| Thursday | Dec. 14 | : NO Adoration or Mass (Fr. Hilario at Diocesan Event) |
| Friday | Dec. 15 | : 5:30PM Nativity set up |
| Sunday | Dec. 17 | : 12 Noon KC kitchen /2PM KC Bingo |

2018 Tithing Envelopes are in the Cryroom. If you have not been assigned a box and would like to begin using them, please sign up on the sheet located by the boxes and there will be one waiting for you the following weekend. Remember we also accept automatic draft through Granger National Bank. If you are interested in making your donation once a month through that service contact the Parish Office. 512-859-2223 or sscmchurch@gmail.com.
Year End Giving: Please remember to make your Year End donations before December 31. Please place them in the regular collection basket on any weekend and mark Year End or add them to your regular donation.
* Giving Opportunities: Parish General Fund, Parish Trust Fund, Youth Ministry, Religious Education

Parish News

Christmas decorating and Nativity set up is Friday, December 15 at 5:30PM. Please come and help make our church shine for the holidays. We need all the extra hands we can get. There are big and small jobs for everyone.
Christmas Flower donation envelopes are at the bulletin tables. Thank you for helping us to decorate the church.
The family of Maria O. Perez would like to thank everyone for all the prayers and visits during her hospital stay. We would like to express our gratitude to all those who sent cards, food and floral arrangements. We appreciate the choir, altar servers and Fr. Hilario for a very special Mass. With sincere thanks, *the Family of Maria O. Perez*

Area Events

"Food, Family and Faith," a day of spirituality, will be held Dec. 12 at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center in Burnet. Msgr. Elmer Holtman will explore how the foods we make, eat and share transform our lives through God's grace. To register or for more information, visit www.cwrc.org or call (512) 715-0017.
Benedictine Spirituality 101 Retreat will be held Jan. 13 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Learn how St. Benedict's rule and way of life are just as relevant today as they were in the sixth century. Beverly Collin, assistant director and 3rd order oblate, will present this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch. To register, call (254) 780-2436 or visit www.cedarbrake.org.
St. Albert the Great Parish in Austin will celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany with its annual Boar's Head and Yule Log Pageant Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. This medieval Christmas celebration will feature music, dance, period costumes and a live Nativity scene. For more information and tickets, visit www.boarsheadaustin.com or call (512) 837-4179.

Second Sunday of Advent—In today's Gospel we hear the message of John the Baptist calling us to a change of heart and reminding us that the true light and glory of the earth is Jesus the Christ. While we are busy with trees and gifts and decorations, we might be especially mindful and attentive to Christ who is present to us in the one with no home to decorate, no place for a tree, no hope of gifts. Can we give them the gift of eye contact, or asking their name or of a few moments of conversation? This might be the most important gift we can give this year for we never know the distressing disguise Jesus might use to come to us!

SSCM Mass Schedule for December-January 1

December 13 Our Lady of Guadalupe 7PM Mass reception afterwards at the Hall
December 19 SSCM Penance Service 7PM
December 24 5 PM Christmas Eve/12 midnight
Christmas Day 9AM Christmas
[NO Weekday Mass December 26-29/Parish Offices Closed]
December 30-31 Marriage Recognition Certificates presented at both Masses
December 31 6PM Vigil Holy Mother of God
January 1 8AM Mass Holy Mother of God (Not an Obligation this year)

Georgetown/ Round Rock Deanery Advent Penance Services:

December 10, 6 p.m., St. Mary in Taylor, English & Spanish
December 11, 7 p.m., St. John Vianney in Round Rock, English & Spanish
December 13, 7 p.m., St. Joseph in Manor, English & Spanish
December 17, 5 p.m., Holy Trinity in Corn Hill, English & Spanish
December 18, 7 p.m., St. William in Round Rock, English & Spanish
December 19, 7 p.m., Sts. Cyril and Methodius in Granger, English & Spanish