



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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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

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.

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

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required.

Pastor: Very Rev. Chris Ferrer

(512)859-2224-Rectory

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Deacon: John Thornton

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Executive Assistant: Joanne Selucky

Pastoral Council: Deborah Hensel

Finance Council: Chris Nemeec

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

6th Sunday of Easter—May 10, 2015

Saturday May 9	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday May 10	10:00AM	Mother's Day Mass Intentions
Tuesday May 12	8:00 AM	† August Motloch, Sr.
Wed May 13	6:00 PM	†Margaret Kaderka; † J.D. Shirocky
Thurs May 14	10:00AM	Granger Villa: For the health of Dollie Hajda
	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	† Marie Repa; † B.R. Luna
Friday May 15	8:00 AM	† Emil, John & Rose Knapek
Saturday May 16	6:00 PM	† Ted, Alfonse & Betty Stojanik; † Johnny & Vlasta Michalek; † Carmen A. Luna;
		† Joe & Viola Sevcik

Sunday May 17 10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for Healing: Bernice Vrabel, Terry Griffith, Ed Machac, Roselle Fischler, Bernice Huf, Minnie Perez, Josh Hughes, Ann Pease, Larry Maresh, Monica Horak, Bennie Bartosh, Deacon John Thornton, Donald Pacha, Nicole Geil, Alice Taisler, Joseph Campos, Albina Teltow, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana *(Please contact office when the immediate need of prayer has passed.)

Offering: Sunday: \$4,257.81

Children: \$36.00

Thank you for your generous support of our parish.

Liturgical Ministers May 16-17

Saturday 6PM Lector: Terry Lee Pekar

EMHC: JoAnn Pavelka, Terry Pekar, Jaime & Cirila Gomez

Music: volunteer

Servers: Volunteers, Jose Campos

Sunday 10AM Lector: Graduates

EMHC: Harold & Carolyn Kaderka, Darve Horak, Rita Marburger

Music: Teresa Caslavka

Servers: Mario Gonzalez, Sarah Arellano

EMHC: Mark White, Wendy White, Louis Repa, JoAnn Pavelka

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Gail Heger

10AM: Theresa Valdez

Special collection today is for the Parish Building and Maintenance Fund.

Granger Community Food Pantry: Next distribution is May 21. Please bring items by Wednesday May 20.

Flowers: (Main Front & Mary) In memory of Marie Hajda and in honor of Georgia Naizer and for all mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers by the Johnnie Naizer Family

(Main Altar) In memory of Germilla Pavlasek by her daughters Irene Cavanaugh, Linda Grigsby & Patsy Hightower and their families

Calendar of Events

Sunday May 10 : Happy Mother's Day (NO BINGO)

Sunday May 17 : 10AM Graduate Mass

: 12 Noon KC Hamburgers

Parish

Graduate's Mass: All high school and college students graduating this year are invited to participate in the Graduate's Mass on Sunday, May 17 at 10:00am. If you are interested in being a lector or bringing up the gifts, please let us know. Wear your cap and gown and meet at the DPC at 9:45 to line up. If you are attending please email sscmre@gmail.com or call [512-859-2634](tel:512-859-2634). Cookies and punch will be served afterwards in the DPC. All are welcomed to attend.

Chicken Dinner Sign-up: There will be a Parish 5th Sunday Chicken Dinner on May 31, 2015. Parishioners are asked to please volunteer their time and sign up for a shift either on Saturday or Sunday. The sign-up sheets are at each entrance of the church. Thank You for all your time and talent that you give to this parish. Desserts will also be needed for this event. (The proceeds from the chicken dinners will be going towards the upcoming restoration of our church and the Big Celebration that is being planned for our 125 years as a parish.)

SAVE THE DATE!!! Ladies, please join with your friends for an evening spiritual retreat on Friday, June 12th, at the DPC. We will begin at 6 pm with a potluck sandwich/salad supper. Afterwards, guest presenter, Belinda Ozuna, from St. Mary's Parish in Taylor will guide us in spiritual enrichment based on the book, "The Cup of Our Life". Belinda is an excellent presenter and has led several workshops/retreats in the diocese. This is a great "one-evening" opportunity to boost our spirituality...don't miss it! If you have questions, please contact Karen Simcik 512.859.2742.

Thank you to Johnnie Naizer, Richard Cervenka, Doc Pekar and Ricky Steffek for repairing the sidewalk. Also, thanks to Grant Steglich, Gilbert Repa and Louis Repa for acting so quickly to repair pipe under the asphalt repair.

A 3-hour Ethics and Integrity in Ministry (EIM) Basic Workshop on child sexual abuse will be held at SSCM on June 8 6:30-9:30PM – 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 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; if you have not completed the EIM application, visit the EIM page at www.austindiocese.org to do so. Please do not bring children to an EIM workshop [*if your parish provides childcare for workshops, include that info here*]. 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:512-949-2447) to make an alternative arrangement to receive your training. Such inquiries shall remain confidential.

Area Events

Healing Hearts, a weekend retreat designed for women who have suffered any kind of sexual trauma, will be held May 29-31 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The weekend begins Friday at 6:30 p.m. and concludes Sunday at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$135 (includes room, linens, materials and meals). For more information and to register, call [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:254-780-2436) and ask for Beverly.

Our Lady of Wisdom University Parish and CCRA of the Diocese of Austin is hosting a 10 hour non-stop Praise and Worship event celebrating Pentecost; a time when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and they were granted the gifts of the Holy Spirit enabling them to fulfill their mission to preach the Gospel to all Nations. Please join us for this wonderful spirit filled event! Pentecost Vigil: Veni Creator Spiritus - 10 Hours of WORSHIP When: Saturday, May 23rd Time: Starts at 9:00 AM Ends with Pentecost Vigil Mass at 6:00pm Where: Our Lady of Wisdom University Parish, 100 Concho St, San Marcos, TX. 78666 FMI: Contact: Christina Turullois @512-563-7851 event@ccraustin.

The Central Council of the Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will meet on Thursday, May 14 at Holy Trinity in Corn Hill. Registration begins at 9:30AM. FMI: Diane deRoulac 512-251-9813

Message from our Pastor

In today's Gospel of John, Jesus continues his warm and intimate sermons to his disciples regarding their relationship to Him and to God the Father. It is a relationship characterized by love and obedience.

EXEGESIS:

Jesus tells his disciples that Christian love is not merely emotion but entails obedience to divine commandments and can involve sacrifice of one's life for others (as He himself sacrificed for humankind). It seems odd that Jesus says He will no longer call his disciples "slaves," because we cannot think of anywhere in the gospels where He called them that. But here He is referencing the Old Testament custom of calling even Moses, Joshua, and David "slaves" of God (whereas only Abraham was called a "friend" of God). Thus Jesus is paying a huge compliment to his followers by calling them "friends." Jesus reminds them that it was He who chose and called his followers (and us), and for this they (and we) should be grateful. The driving force in Christian spirituality is the interrelationships of love.