



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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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.

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 11, 2015

Saturday Oct. 10	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday Oct. 11	10:00AM	† Sylvester Brosch, Sr.; † Ed & Angeline David & Dorothy Kopecky; † Johnny Michalek; † JD Shirocky (Fr. Stephen)
Tuesday Oct. 13	8:00 AM	† Margaret Kaderka; † Carmen Razo (Fr. Stephen)
Wed Oct. 14	6:00 PM	Diana Bosshard (Living); † Vince Marek (Fr. Tom)
Thurs Oct. 15	10:00AM	Will o Bell: † Germilla Pavlasek (Fr. Stephen)
	4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
	6:00 PM	Steve Bosshard (Living); † Marie Repa (Fr. Stephen)
Friday Oct. 16	8:00 AM	† Margaret Wolf; † Alfred Vrana
Saturday Oct. 17	6:00 PM	† Rudolf Matula; † Agnes Stojanik; † Joe & Viola Sevcik; † JD Shirocky; † Joe Prcin
Sunday Oct. 18	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for Healing: Sharon Long, Ethel Martinka, Dennis Montgomery, George Remerdo, Robert Degollado, Nicole Geil, Linda Mazoch Dlouhy, Bernice Vrabel, Cecilia Stefek, Brianna Rivera, Alice Hajda, Shirley Volek, Josh Hughes, Edwin Matysek, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana. *

Welcome to our Parish Family, Thomas and Daniel Pekar, baptized on October 3.

Offering: Sunday: \$4,034.00 Children: \$26.25 Remember to pick up your BABY BANKS

Liturgical Ministers October 17-18

Saturday 6PM Lector: Pat Greger/Ronnie Steffek Servers: Garret Repa, Jose Campos
 Music: Volunteer EMHC: Ronnie Steffek, Mike Vrana, Diana Kerlin, Paula Marak

Sunday 10AM Lector: Rose & John Unnasch Servers: Mario Gonzalez, Sarah Arellano
 Music: Guitar Group EMHC: Dennis & Michelle Messex, Trish Lopez, Virginia Lee

Route EMHC: Mark White, Wendy White, Margaret Vrana, Diana Kerlin

RE Store: 6PM Mark & Wendy White 10AM: Rose Unnasch

Special collection this weekend for our Parish Building & Maintenance Fund.

Granger Food Pantry collection this week. Distribution is on October 15. Office will be closed on Wednesday-Please bring items to church or office by noon, Tuesday Oct. 13.

Flowers: In honor of our Parish 2015 Lumen Gentium Honoree, Margaret Vrana

Calendar of Events

Sunday Oct. 11 : 11:30AM KJT Bingo Kitchen—hamburgers/2PM Bingo

Sunday-Thursday, Oct. 11-15: Fr. Chris will be away. Please contact Fr. Stephen for emergency calls only (512-863-0401)

Wednesday Oct. 14 : Parish and RE Offices CLOSED for Diocesan Administrator's Day
 : 7PM Religious Education

Sunday Oct. 18 : 12 noon KC Bingo Kitchen—hamburgers/2PM Bingo

October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary

The Legion of Mary invites your family to sign up to have the travelling statue of Blessed Mother Mary come to your home where she will stay for a week. During that week you are encouraged to gather your family around her and pray the rosary. A family that prays together, stays together. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. If you have any questions, call Theresa Valdez (254) 657-2374. (The statue will travel as long as she is invited to your homes.)

Respect Life Rosary – To “Respect Life” is a lifetime obligation and a lifetime privilege. We are asked to love and honor the life of every man and woman born and unborn. Each and every one of you in our Parish is invited to join together for an evening candlelight rosary so that we may pray for the renewal of family life and respect for all life. Please join us on the evening of Saturday, **October 17** right after the evening Mass. We will gather at the Respect Life monument located on the South side of the Church.

Parish

All Souls Day envelopes are available at the entrances. Please return them no later than Sunday, November 1.

Turkey & Dressing Dinner - The Turkey & Dressing Dinner will be on Sunday, October 25. The KJZT will organize it, BUT we need ALL Parishioners to help us out so that we can continue this long standing tradition of our delicious Turkey & Dressing Meal. This is a Parish Fund Raiser...the proceeds will benefit our Parish, going towards the ROAR II Pledge Drive, thus helping us meet our goal of \$150,000. We are asking for help in various ways: We need cornbread bakers, toast makers, turkey prepers, turkey deboners, dessert bakers & kitchen workers for several days and shifts. If you would like to work a particular shift, please put your name on one of the sign-up sheets located at all entrances of the church or e-mail Kathy Janke at kathy.janke@yahoo.com (or) call Kathy at 254-527-4577. We are also accepting any monetary donations to help defray the cost of the turkeys. You may put the money in the Sunday collection basket marked "Turkey Donation".

Volunteers Needed: *We will be **toasting bread*** for the dressing for the upcoming Turkey Dinner on Thursday, **October 15th** at the Hall. We will start around 8 AM. If you can come help, please just show up that morning. Thank you in advance!!

*We will be **making cornbread*** for the dressing for the upcoming Turkey Dinner on Friday, **October 16th** at the Hall. We will start around 9 AM. If you can come help, please just show up that morning. Thank you in advance!!

Area Events

St. Mary's Taylor 11AM Polka Mass and BBQ Chicken Dinner is on Sunday, October 18. Dinner is served 11AM to 1PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall, HWY 79 East. Dine in or Take out: \$10. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters.

St. Helen Parish in Georgetown will host its annual Fall Festival Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the parish grounds. There will be live music, a variety of food including a fried chicken dinner, kids' carnival, live auction and silent auction, cake walk, handcrafted items and fun for the whole family.

St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Round Rock invites you to Vianney Fest, our annual Fall Festival, on October 25, from noon-5pm. There will be many fun events and activities for all ages including food, games, live music, raffle, live and silent auctions, sports games, and much, much more. Please visit our website www.vianneyfest.org for information

Holy Trinity Parish in Corn Hill will host a Parish Mission the week of Oct. 25 – 29 entitled “Why Be Catholic? – Renewal in Christ Our Savior.” Father Ken Geraci of the Fathers of Mercy will be the presenter. During the mission, Father Geraci will challenge participants to make a stronger, deeper, personal commitment to Christ and his church. The event schedule is Oct. 25: Confessions at 6 p.m.; Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 26: Confessions at 6 p.m.; light meal from 6-6:45 p.m. and Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 27: Confessions at 6 p.m.; light meal from 6-6:45 p.m. and Mission at 7 p.m.; Oct. 28: Confessions at 5:30 p.m.; light meal from 5:30-6:15 p.m. and Mission at 6:30 p.m.; Oct. 29: Confessions at 6 p.m.; Mass and Mission at 7 p.m. followed by closing reception. Everyone is welcome to attend.

ROAR II Progress Report ~ We are 87% of the way there! Make your pledge today!

99 of 400+ parish families have answered the call. Pledge cards are available by the Church Rendition in the foyer.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly. You may drop your pledge/payments in the collection basket.

Pledged: \$101,565.00 [Paid as of October 9, 2015: \$61,880.00] 53 Pledges Paid in Full

Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30 Memorials and Donations: \$7,795.00 \$150,000-130,525.3=\$19,474.70 needed to reach our goal

Message from Our Pastor

In today's gospel, Jesus challenges another popular social value or belief in Jewish society. He indicates how his followers (and us) can be obedient disciples who will be ultimately rewarded, because "All things are possible with God."

EXEGESIS:

A rich man (Matthew calls him "young," Mark does not) approaches Jesus to ask about eternal life (equivalent to "kingdom of God"). "Good teacher" is exaggerated flattery in that society, so Jesus deflects the source of all goodness from himself to God the Father. In reply, Jesus omits the first three Commandments of God because, as a Jew, the rich man would already be obeying them. Rather, He focuses on the latter Commandments which describe treatment of others. Sensing the rich man's sincere reply, Jesus calls him to a higher state of spiritual perfection by inviting him to sell his riches and become Jesus' disciple. The man sadly declines, and when Jesus comments on how difficult it is for a rich person to enter the kingdom, everyone is surprised--because in ancient Judaism riches were viewed as God's blessing for being a good Jew. No, implies Jesus, speaking with Oriental hyperbole regarding the camel and the needle's eye, the rich will have a difficult time. But He quickly encourages his audience by telling them that, if they will be his devoted disciples who are not preoccupied with wealth and power, they will be greatly rewarded (after some persecution) in the kingdom to come.