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SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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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 (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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd)—April 17, 2016

Saturday	April 16	6:00PM	†Georgia Naizer; †Clarence Vanek; †Martha Zrubek; †Margie & *VJ Hajda; † Brent Svehlak (Hall)
Sunday	April 17	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Hall) <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>
Tuesday	April 19	12:00PM	† Annie Vanek; † Donna Poplawski (DPC)
Wednesday	April 20	10:00AM	Will O Bell: † Joe Horak
		6:00PM	†Edwin & Marie Repa; Wellbeing of Barbara Taisler Hill (DPC)
Thursday	April 21	4:00PM	Adoration/Confession/Evening Prayer/Benediction (DPC)
		6:00PM	† Miss Frances Polasek (DPC)
Friday	April 22	8:00AM	† Louis & Cecilia Vrana; † Charlotte Dykowski (DPC)
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)

Offering: Sunday: \$3,797.00

Children: \$24.00

Building & Maintenance: \$1,217.00

Liturgical Ministers April 23-24

Saturday 6PM	Lectors: Deborah Hensel/Pat Greger	Servers: Aaron & James Arellano Cortez
	Music: Traditional Choir	EMHC: Deborah Hensel, Louis Repa, Henrietta Hajda, Beatrice Perez
Sunday 10AM	Lectors: Mark & Wendy White	Servers: Mario Gonzalez, Sarah Arellano
	Music: Horak Family	EMHC: Rita Marburger, Elena Castro, Mark & Wendy White

Route EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Esther Villarreal, Mary Pavlat, Bill Pavlat

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.

Community Food Pantry collection is this week. Please bring items to the Parish Office by Wednesday April 20 for the April 21 distribution at the First United Methodist Church.

Congratulations to Jerry & Frances Michalek on their 45th Wedding Anniversary April 17. Flowers are in their honor.

Thank You! Fr. Hilario and the newly initiated members wish to thank the parish for your outpouring of love and welcome at the Dinner on Saturday.

Calendar of Events

Sunday	April 17	: 11AM KC hamburgers/2PM Bingo
Wednesday	April 20	: 7PM RE Crowning of Mary
Thursday	April 21	: 7PM Pastoral Council meeting (DPC)
Friday-Saturday Annulment: Pathway to Healing has been POSTPONED		
Sunday	April 24	: 11AM KJZT hamburger/2PM Bingo

Parish

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Legion of Mary & Religious Education present Crowning of Mary, Wednesday, April 20 at 7:00. Join us in honoring our Blessed Mother. Please bring your favorite flower to offer her. Watch for children in the parking lot.

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. 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.

Kairos Kookies: St. John Lutheran Church in Bartlett is asking for help in providing 5,000 dozen cookies for Prison Ministry. Cookies are needed by Sunday, April 24. Call 254-527-3341 before delivering to St. John Lutheran Church.

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 or call 512- 593-2523.

Refinishing of Sacred Vessels and Tabernacles: In preparation for our 125th/100th 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. Main Tabernacle: \$2,400.00 (Sponsored by Daniel & Hilda Perez Family)
2. 2 Side Tabernacles @ \$1,300.00 each (Sponsored Vrael & Wolf Families)
3. Processional Cross: \$495.00 (Sponsored John & Karen Simcik)
4. 2 Altar Crosses @ \$480.00 each (1 Marble/Gold Sponsored Georgia Mikulencak)
5. Antique Monstrance with Luna: \$1,875.00
6. 6 Candlesticks @ \$240.00 each
7. 2 Candelabras @ \$425.00 each
8. Various Followers/Drip Protectors/Liners \$650.00 (Individual prices on request)

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)
96 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$39,133.43 Memorials and Donations: \$15,755.33
\$150,000-190,169.44= (\$40,169.44) OVER our goal when all pledges are fulfilled

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

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

Update to last week's history: Our beloved school closed in January of 2014 after 115 years of Catholic Education.

The early 1900s brought to the area an influx of new names like Parma, Bohac, Hajda, Elick, Dubil, people who would go on to become instrumental in not only the furtherance of the subject congregation but the township of Granger, as well.

The toil and labor of the first immigrants was beginning to bear fruit. They had not only succeeded in conquering the untamed prairie but had begun acquiring land, parcel by parcel and their efforts at converting prairie to rich farmland brought them monetary returns that enabled them to expand their acquisition. The first three decades of the new century found these early Czech pioneers in the forefront of the Granger community. John Baca, Ivan Parma, Tom Zrubek, J. J. Elick, all parishioners of SS Cyril and Methodius, established the Granger National Bank, known as the "Czech" bank. Dr. Anton Mussil came to serve the medical needs of the community and to serve as the town's postmaster. Frank Marek established a pharmacy, (later three sons followed in his footsteps). Emil Bartos, long-time organist of the church, became the proprietor of a grocery store, as did the Dubils. Baca and Bohac established a furniture emporium. (5)(6)(7)

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