



## SS. CYRIL & METHIDIUS CHURCH

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**SSCM Parish Office:** 104 N. Brazos Street Phone & Fax: (512) 859-2223

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

**Religious Education:** Coordinator: Virginia Loza Lee 512-859-2634 [sscmre@gmail.com](mailto:sscmre@gmail.com)

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

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 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.

Marriage Prep required/Darve & Karen Horak 512-859-2646 or [darve.horak@gmail.com](mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com)

Quinceanera: Religious Education Attendance and Instruction required. (6 month notice)

**Pastor: Rev. Hilario Guajardo**

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Pastoral Council: Chip Geil

Finance Council: Chris Nemec

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

### First Sunday of Lent ~ February 18, 2018

Saturday Feb. 17 6:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Sunday Feb. 18 10:00AM † Robert J. Cervenka; † Josephine Baca; † George Vrana; † Adrian Pedraza;  
† Gloria Willis & Joe E. Stefek

Tuesday Feb. 20 No Mass: Day of Prayer for Priests

Wed. Feb. 21 6:00PM † Betty Jarolik/Stations of the Cross

Thursday Feb. 22 4:00PM Adoration/4:30PM Confessions/5:30PM Evening Prayer/5:45PM Benediction  
6:00PM † Jessie & Agnes Stojanik; † Braden Lee Pekar

Friday Feb. 23 8:00AM † Joe & Viola Sevcik; † Vince Marek/Stations of the Cross

Saturday Feb. 24 6:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Sunday Feb. 25 10:00AM † Georgia Horak; † Charlie & (L) Blanche Pajestka; † Orlando D. Lopez; † Rudolph Kovar;  
† Frank & Betty Cervenka, Carolyn Borst

Offering: Sunday: \$3,704.00

Children: \$37.85

Building & Maintenance: \$1,214.00

### Liturgical Ministers February 24-25

Saturday 6PM Lector: Diana Kerlin EMHC: Barney Fudge, Paula Marak, Beatrice Perez, Terry Pekar  
Music: Guitar Group Servers: Caige & Cash Hajda, Alexi Montagnino, Izaak Morales

Sunday 10AM Lector: John Unnasch EMHC: Theresa Valdez, Elena Castro, Regina Carlson, Chris Nemec  
Music: Horak Family Servers: Kyle & Karsyn Hamons, Dominik Lopez, Onesimo Rodriguez, JD Morgan

**Route EMHC:** Mark White, Wendy White, Frankie & Shirley Volek, Ronnie Steffek

**Religious Articles Store:** 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Bernice Jezisek

**Offertory Gift Bearers:** If your family (or couples) would like to serve as Gift Bearer for Saturday or Sunday Mass please sign up on the volunteer sheet located in the foyer of the church. Please come to Mass at least 10 minutes before and let the ushers know that you are ready to serve. Otherwise replacements will be asked.

**Ashes to Easter Boxes** are available at the bulletin tables. Please pick one up today and return with your coins during Holy Week.

### Calendar of Events

Sunday Feb. 18 : 12PM KC hamburgers/ 2PM KC Bingo

: 1:30PM Will O Bell Legion of Mary Rosary

Tuesday Feb. 20 : 5:3-PM Bingo kitchen—Lion's Club Chili Supper /7PM KC Bingo

Sunday Feb. 25 : 11AM KJZT kitchen—hamburgers (Benefit for Youth Ministry)/ 2PM KC Bingo

: 3PM Granger Villa Legion of Mary Rosary

**His Holiness Pope Francis announced that Friday, February 23,** will be a day of prayer and fasting for peace, in particular for the populations of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan. Catholics in good health from age 18 until age 59 are obliged to fast and pray. The Friday Stations of the Cross are an excellent prayer for peace. The faithful are asked to spend time in prayer on Friday, February 23. Perhaps consider offering the day's work and trials for the people who are suffering in these regions.

### *Parish News*

**YM Sheet Sell:** We need your support! Youth Ministry is raising money to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference. We are hoping that you find our online shopping experience a pleasure as you support our goals; and in turn receive a high quality and luxurious bedding product you're going to love and use for years to come. Purchase with confidence; satisfaction guaranteed with the Anna Bella Bedding Collection. Please share this opportunity with friends and family! The more you share, the more support we will receive. You spend a third of your life in bed; make it comfortable. Sweet dreams and happy fundraising. It's easy to support! Just shop the Simply Sheets Fundraising website [https://seller.simplysheetsfundraising.com/group/rkBZ\\_uPUf](https://seller.simplysheetsfundraising.com/group/rkBZ_uPUf), buy from our youth or Virginia Loza-Lee in the RE Office. 40% of your purchase supports our cause!

**Lions Club Chili Supper** on Tuesday, Feb 20th at 5 pm. thru bingo. \$8 for chili, tea & all the trimmings.

**SSCM Parish Penance Service** is Tuesday, February 27 at 7PM.

**Kolache Bake**, March 10 –\$12.00 p/doz. Advance orders only. Please call Kay Karkoska @ 859-1001 or email: [dkkarkoska@gmail.com](mailto:dkkarkoska@gmail.com) to place your order. **Orders may be picked up between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.** Be prepared to wait until 2:00 o'clock if you arrive early. Please include a phone number with your order where you may be reached. There will be a limited amount made, so place your orders early. Thanks

**KJT would like to thank** everyone who supported their fundraiser this past weekend. Thank you to everyone who donated sweets, helped out in the Kitchen or Pit, and those of you who came to eat with us. May God bless you for your generosity!

### *Area News*

**Catholic Charities continues to provide** utility assistance to families in Williamson County from St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Round Rock and Our Lady of Guadalupe in Taylor. Families may call our office for assistance at any time – [512-651-6100](tel:512-651-6100). Please bring a current ATMOS Energy bill, Texas Gas or other utility bill (must be in your own name) and a photo ID. 1<sup>st</sup> Friday – St. John Vianney, 9:30am-3pm/2<sup>nd</sup> Friday – Our Lady of Guadalupe, 9:30-3pm

**St. Mary's Catholic School in Taylor is now accepting student applications for the 2018-2019 school year!** For over 121 years, SMCS has provided excellence in educating children in Faith, Academics, and Service. SMCS provides PK3 - 8th grades with an active sacramental life, a fully accredited curriculum, competitive Athletics, Religion, Spanish, Art, Music, PE, and Technology. After-school Enrichment classes provide extended learning opportunities for students. Come see how St. Mary's can challenge, enrich, and engage your child to achieve his or her God-given potential! Go to [www.stmarystaylor.org](http://www.stmarystaylor.org) and click "ADMISSIONS," or contact Kim Bohac at [512-352-2313](tel:512-352-2313) ext 213 for a tour and more information.

**Cedarbrake Retreats:** For more information or to register for these retreats call Cedarbrake at [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:254-780-2436) or visit [www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake](http://www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake).

The **Silent Lenten Retreat** will be held at Cedarbrake in Belton, Feb. 16-18. Mass will be celebrated Saturday and Sunday. Spiritual direction will also be available. Come take advantage of the quiet and enter into the Lenten season of preparation. The cost is \$185 per person.

The **Cancer Survivors Retreat** will be held March 10 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This retreat will be a time for survivors to share their stories. Wanda Gibson, a spiritual director and cancer survivor, will lead this prayerful day of reflection. Whether you are celebrating one week or 20 years since your cancer experience you are invited to join us as we allow our mind, body and spirit to engage, heal, rest and rejoice. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

**Discovering Your True Self** will be held March 21 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. The retreat will be based on the book by Fr. Richard Rohr entitled, "The Immortal Diamond." Deep within us is the true self; however, it has been hidden by who or what we think we should be. We will spend the day identifying the false images we hold on to as we ask the Lord to show us the beauty of our true selves. Bev Collin, assistant director of Cedarbrake, will present this day. The cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

### **First Sunday of Lent**

This Lenten season begins with the contrasting images of the desert and flood waters. We live in the paradox of these images needing to go into the desert of fasting, prayer and self-denial in order to re-learn the covenant way of life we entered through the waters of baptism. Now is the time to turn from the flood of distractions which can drown us. Now is the time to remember and reverence our dignity and the dignity of every human person. Now is the time to set aside anything that diverts us from our true hunger and thirst for God alone and his covenant of love with all humanity.