



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

Nursing Home Mass: 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.

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Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek
Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ December 22, 2019

Saturday	Dec. 21	6:00PM	† VJ & Margie Hajda; † Hortense Svehlak; † Frank & Annie Vrana; † Dan Steffek; † Lad & Regina Mayer; † Betty, Alfonse, Ted & Nicholas Stojanik; † Bennie Bartosh
Sunday	Dec. 22	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Christmas: No Rosary before 5PM or 12AM Mass Choirs will be singing before Mass

Tuesday Dec. 24 5:00PM † John Stefek; † Bernice Huf; † EJ Strmiska *Singing begins at 4:30PM*

Wednesday Dec. 25 12:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish *Singing begins 11:15PM*

9:00AM † Edward Skrhak, Jr.; † John & Christina Vrael;

† Alfred, Sr. & Alfred, Jr. Cervenka and the wellbeing of Martha Cervenka

Thursday & Friday NO MASS/ Parish Offices Closed through January 6

Saturday Dec. 28 6:00PM † Charlie & Blanche Pajestka; † Fred Strmiska; † Jerry David; † Sergio Martinez;
† Hubert Gorubec, Elsie & Elton Spinn; The Kurtin Family

Sunday Dec. 29 10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for the repose of the souls of Dolores Sladeczek and Velma Loeve. May they rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$7,009.00 (Online \$233.21) Children: \$38.00 OLOG: \$ 160.00 Flowers: \$963.00(Online \$80.00)

Liturgical Ministers December 24-25, 28-29

Christmas Eve 5PM Lector: Terry Lee Pekar EMHC: Deacon Mark, Regina Carlson, Henrietta Hajda, Volunteer
Music: Guitar Group Servers: JD Morgan, Rylan Teegardin, Xavier and Ava Schmittou

Christmas 12AM Lector: Volunteer EMHC: Deacon Mark, Wendy White, Regina Carlson, Volunteer
Music: Special Servers: Xavier and Ava Schmittou, Volunteers

Christmas 9AM Lector: John Unnasch EMHC: Deacon Mark, Regina Carlson, Beatrice Perez, Wendy White
Music: Joanne Selucky Servers: Izaak Morales, J.J. Martinka, Ronnie and Andrew Vrael

Saturday 6PM Lector: Pat Greger EMHC: Terry Pekar, Deborah Hensel, Theresa Hajda, JoAnn Pavelka
Music: Guitar Group Servers: Bridget Lugari, Riley & Brody Fudge

Sunday 10AM Lector: Siomara Lizardo EMHC: Frankie & Shirley Volek, Jolene Volek, Blanca Olivas
Music: Horak Family Servers: Nicholas, Thomas, Christopher, Marissa Hall

Route EMHC: Deborah Hensel, Regina Carlson, Lille Huf

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Patricia Luna 10AM: Ofelia Lopez

Tithing Boxes are available in the cry room. If you want to begin using the boxes write your name, address and phone number on the sheet and there will be a box waiting for you next weekend.

Special collection next weekend is for the Holy Family which supports the Maternity Homes for the Diocese of Austin: Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown, Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter in Temple, and the [Pro-life activities Office](#) of the Diocese of Austin

Second special collection next weekend is for the Parish Trust Fund which supports our young parish members who attend Catholic Schools.

December 23-January 6 Parish Offices will be closed.

Calendar of Events

Sunday Dec. 22 : 11AM KJZT Bingo Kitchen—Sausage Wraps/ 2PM KC Bingo
Sunday Dec. 29 : 11:30AM American Legion Bingo Kitchen— hot dogs, nachos, and chicken salad sandwiches
: 2PM KC Bingo
: **Marriage Recognition Certificates** will be presented at both Masses Dec. 28-29

Parish News

The book “Rediscover the Saints” will be available at all entrances of the church at the Christmas Eve & Christmas Day masses. This simple book written by Matthew Kelly, founder of Dynamic Catholic, gives us a glance at the lives of some of the saints & includes a relative prayer at the end of each chapter. Please take a copy & allow this book & it’s message to transform your life, strengthen your faith, and remind us that at every moment, sainthood IS possible for every one of us! “To whom much is given, much will be required” Luke 12:48 -

Tithing and Year End Donations: Please remember as we grow closer to the end of the year to make your yearend donations before December 31st. Remember we do offer **ONLINE GIVING** which you can find on our website at www.sscmchurch.org. ONLINE Givers remember to update your giving preferences for next year. **Stocks** are also an option for your donations (Giving your stocks to a nonprofit reduces Capital Gains Tax and benefits the Parish)

Area News

The second annual Biblical Institute with Father Bill Burton will be held Jan. 3-5 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Father Burton will consider both the Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles and seek to understand and interpret these two books as a single account. Visit www.cedarbrake.org or call (254) 780-2436.

Holy Trinity of Corn Hill invites you for a dynamic evening with Kevin Dunn, international (pro-life) filmmaker and speaker, on Saturday, January 11, at 6:30 p.m. in their Parish Activity Center. (Vigil Mass celebrated at 5:00 p.m.) Kevin’s award-winning films and testimonies have touched thousands throughout the world, opening people’s eyes to, and educating them about, the atrocity of assisted death, or euthanasia, which has become all too common in our world. Learn, also, how to become a ‘prophet of hope’ in the lives of those around you. For more information, visit www.kevindunn.info. No admission fee.

Catholic Charities of Central Texas is partnering with St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Round Rock and Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Taylor to provide utility assistance to households in Williamson County. Families in need of assistance may visit St. John Vianney on January 10, February 7 or March 6, or Our Lady of Guadalupe on January 17, February 14 or March 13 from 9:30am - 12pm. bring a current utility bill and a photo ID. Catholic Charities of Central Texas also works to eliminate poverty in our community. We offer financial stability services to help prevent homelessness and achieve financial security through case management, education and emergency financial assistance. For more information, call (512) 651-6100 (Austin) or (979) 822-9340 (Brazos Valley).

Saints and Scholars, an event celebrating Catholic schools in the Diocese of Austin, will be held Jan. 11 at the Hyatt Regency Town Lake in Austin. This year’s keynote speaker is Abby Johnson, a Catholic school parent and author of the book “Unplanned.” During the event, heroes from each Catholic school will be honored. To purchase tickets or to become a sponsor, visit www.csdatx.org or call (512) 949-2439.

A TEC (Together Encounter Christ) Retreat will be held Jan. 18-20 at Eagles Wings Retreat Center. TEC is a high energy and spirit filled retreat in which young adults (age 17 and up) explore and deepen their faith. Retreat cost is \$125, which includes two nights, meals and supplies. Details: tecofctx.wordpress.com/.

Our Lady of Angels Maternity Shelter will host its 17th annual Benefit Banquet Jan. 24 at the Frank Mayborn Center in Temple. Tickets are \$60 per person, or \$450 for a table of eight. Tickets: www.ladyoftheangels.org or (254) 742-2340.

Join others from throughout the diocese as they prepare of **Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary**. The 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary begins Feb. 20. To receive a free Montfort preparation prayer book by mail visit www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org by Jan. 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent The mystery of the Incarnation occurred through Mary and yet through the Holy Spirit given to us in Baptism and Confirmation we too are called to embody the presence of God. Have we, like Mary, said yes to God? Are we, like Joseph, nurturing and protecting that life within us? As we celebrate this holy season of birth, are we giving birth in our lives to the fruits of God’s love: justice, peace, kindness, humility and joy?