



**SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH**

*Serving God's People and building His Kingdom since 1891*

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Holy Rosary: 30 minutes before every Holy Mass (Suspended until further notice)

Reconciliation: **By Appointment only:** Call Fr. Hilario (512)595-6507

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday 4:00-5:45 PM concluding with Benediction

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

Nursing Home Mass: Will O Bell 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (Suspended until further notice)

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

Quinceanera: SSCM Religious Education, Mass Attendance and Instruction required

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**Ascension of the Lord~ May 24, 2020**

**All Masses will be open to the public with capacity restrictions. Overflow will be asked to stay outside. Pastor strongly encourages everyone who is able to wear a mask and sanitize hands upon entering the Church. Church is sanitized after every service.**

**Sunday 10AM Masses will continue to be streamed on Facebook Live**

Saturday	May 23	6:00PM	† Joe & Alfred Vrana; † Jerry David † Alfonse & Ted Stojanik; Annie, Anton L. Virginia & Julius Vanek, Robert J. Cervenka
Sunday	May 24	<b>10:00AM</b>	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday	May 26	12:00PM	† George J. Simcik and his children and grandchildren; † Bishop John McCarthy
Wednesday	May 27	6:00PM	Health and Wellbeing of Fr. Hilario on the Anniversary of his Ordination 1989
Thursday	May 28	4:00PM 6:00PM	Adoration/5:30PM Evening Prayer/5:45PM Benediction ( <b>No Confession</b> ) Wellbeing of George Herrick; † Darwin & Mildred Fojtik
Friday	May 29	8:00AM	Holy Souls; † Mary Lugari
Saturday	May 30	6:00PM	† Dan Steffek; † Judy Pekar; † Charlie & Blanche Pajestka; † Albin, Agnes & Robert Bohac; † Joe W. Pustejovsky
Sunday	May 31	<b>10:00AM</b>	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Regular: May 17: \$2,526.00 (Online: \$640.00)

Donations may be made by mail, Parish Office drop box or online at [www.sscmchurch.org](http://www.sscmchurch.org)

My beloved Parish Family,

As we slowly begin to reopen our doors, it was good to see those of you who came to the weekend Masses. Of course, it is still advisable that you stay home and stay safe and only come back to Mass in the church when you feel comfortable doing so.

We continue to celebrate our seniors graduating from High School and College. I want to extend my sincerest congratulations to you all and blessings to you and your family. Please know that you are each being lifted up in prayer daily and in our Masses along with all the members of our Parish Family. We are also trying to respond to your calls as appropriate. Please feel free to call us directly or on our office phones.

Thank you for your generous prayers for each of us as well as your donations to help sustain our parish and our ministries. We love you and miss you. *Fr. Hilario and Staff*

**The Parish Office is open for limited contact drop off only on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9AM to 1PM. Call the office for any other matters, questions or comments.**

**Bulletins** are available curbside in a brochure box at the Main Entrance of the Church and online.

**Ascension of the Lord** On this Sunday, we hear the call given to all of us to “proclaim the Gospel to every creature.” We are called and empowered by the grace of the sacraments to speak Good News and be Good News to others. If we do so we can drive out the demons of division, apathy, racism, despair and violence with our new language of love, commitment, community, hope and peace. Armed with God’s justice and mercy we will give witness to human life and dignity, care for the poor and for creation, in solidarity with all across the globe so that the sickness of our fractured world can be healed. What Good News will you speak this week?

**Everyone check your compliance online, if you are due a workshop this year; please consider taking advantage of this online opportunity.**

**EIM WORKSHOP (during pandemic)** EIM Policies require all clergy, religious, seminarians, employees and adult volunteers serving in a ministry requiring EIM compliance to submit an EIM Application for Ministry (one-time only) and attend an EIM Workshop at least once every three years. No new EIM Applications are being accepted/submitted during this time of COVID-19 and all in-person EIM Workshops have been postponed. However, the EIM Office has created a Temporary Online EIM Training to fulfill the compliance requirement for those who already have an EIM account and are due or past due to attend an EIM Workshop. Go to [www.austindiocese.org/workshop](http://www.austindiocese.org/workshop) to complete the temporary online EIM training. For more information, call (512) 949-2447.

#### Prayers of the Faithful

Dear friends, today we recall Christ’s ascension to his Father in heaven. Before he left, he promised his disciples that we would be with them always. Indeed, the Lord is with us when we gather in his name, as we listen to the word of God, and as the bread and wine are consecrated. Let us celebrate the assurance that Christ is with us always, now and until the end of time.

The Mass today is offered for:

Saturday † Joe & Alfred Vrana; † Jerry David  
† Alfonse & Ted Stojanik; Annie, Anton L. Virginia & Julius Vanek, Robert J. Cervenka  
Sunday the living and deceased members of SS Cyril and Methodius Parish Family

On this joyous day marking Jesus Christ’s return to his Father in heaven we offer up our needs and the needs of those around us.

- For the Church, that we continue to carry on the commission Christ gave to his first disciples, preaching, teaching and baptizing throughout all nations, we pray to the Lord
- That all nations lay down their arms and resolve never again to use instruments of death to resolve disagreements and discord, we pray to the Lord
- For all who suffer from systemic persecution, oppression, and discrimination, that justice and righteousness may overcome sin and evil, we pray to the Lord
- For all of us, that we may be blessed with wisdom and hope so that we may be effective witnesses in our communities of the joy and consolation of our faith, we pray to the Lord
- For our homebound and all who are not able to join us today, we pray to the Lord
- For the prayers offered in the prayer book and those we hold in the silence of our hearts, we pray to the Lord.

God in heaven, you raised up your Son, who now sits at your right hand in glory. Listen to the prayers we make here on earth and grant them through your Son, our risen and ascended Lord.



#### **Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.