



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon Online Giving @ sscmchurch.org

Religious Education: Miriam Morales 512-859-2634 sscmre@gmail.com

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

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

Reconciliation and Anointing of the sick: **Appointment only:** Call Father (512)595-6507

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

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month (Suspended until further notice)

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

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

Quinceanera: SSCM Religious Education, Mass Attendance and Instruction required

Pastor: Rev. Hilario Guajardo
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Pastoral Council: Debra Cavanaugh
Finance Council: Chris Nemecek
Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek
Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 6, 2020

Sunday 10AM Masses are streamed on Facebook Live

Saturday	Dec. 5	8:00AM † Rosie Naizer; Health and wellbeing of Lad Naizer and Johnnie Naizer 6:00PM † VJ Hajda; † Monica Schwertner; † Blanche & Charlie Pajestka; † Henrietta Haessly; † Dolores Sladeczek; † Robert J. & Frank, Jr. Jezisek
Sunday	Dec. 6	10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday	Dec. 8	8:00AM For rain and beneficial weather and an end to the pandemic <i>Immaculate Conception</i> 12:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish 7:00PM † Patrick Vrabel; † Frank Krenek; Emil & Evelyn Matula Family
Wednesday	Dec. 9	6:00PM † Cody Strmiska; Janacek Family
Thursday	Dec. 10	4:00PM Adoration/5:30PM Evening Prayer/5:45PM Benediction (No Confession) 6:00PM † George Vrana; † Eugene Stuchly & Kathy Switzer
Friday	Dec. 11	8:00AM † Albina M. Dykowski; † Helen Stefek
Saturday	Dec. 12	8:00AM † Blanca Olivas and her family (Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration Mass) 6:00PM † Albin, Agnes & Robert Bohac; † Alfonse, Betty, Ted & Nicholas Stojanik; † Blanca Olivas; † Norma & James Cavanaugh; † Edward Rozacky; James L. Pekar Family;
Sunday	Dec. 13	10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

We pray for the repose of the soul of Blanca Esmerlda Olivas who was called to her heavenly home on November 29.

Weekly Collection: Regular: \$1,843.00 (Online: \$900.00) Trust Fund: \$ 284.00

November Online: All Saints: \$ 110.00 Building & Maintenance: \$315.00 CCHD: \$180.00 Flowers: \$20.00

Trust Fund: \$265.00 Thanksgiving: \$135.00 Under the Blue Mantle: \$70.00

Special collection this weekend is for the Clergy Medical and Retirement Fund.

Special collection next weekend is for the Parish Building and Maintenance Fund.

The Parish Office closed to the public. You may continue to drop off donations in the office lock box.

Tithing and End of the Year 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).

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. If you cannot come to Mass to pick up your box call the Parish Office so pick up arrangements can be made.

Catholic Services Appeal: Please remember to send your pledge card back to the Diocese as soon as possible. Your generosity is greatly appreciated especially this year with all of its challenges.

Parish News

Dressing Sales Results - The Granger KJZT Organization would like to Thank Everyone that participated, either by helping us in the kitchen and or by purchasing dressing, for making our first Dressing Sale event a **BIG** success. We sold approximately 780 lbs. of dressing. With the added contributions from the KJZT Home Office, our total profit was \$5,500.00 THANK YOU and God Bless each of you.

Save the date: Monday, December 7, 2020 is the SSCM Christmas meal for the homebound, sick, elderly, widows/widowers and disadvantaged. The meal is provided under the sponsorship of Under the Blue Mantel. This year we are providing hearty chicken noodle soup by drive thru line or delivery only. If you know of someone or would like to receive a meal please contact John Pavelka ([512-859-2748](tel:512-859-2748)) to organize delivery or pick up. Please leave your name and phone number in the message. Drive thru starts at 11:00. If you received a meal last year you are automatically included. You must be on the list to receive a meal.

Dear friends, twice today we hear Isaiah's directive: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." How are we preparing for the Lord to make inroads into our lives, into our hearts? What obstacles has our self-centeredness placed in the way and how can we remove them? For what do we need forgiveness and what repentance can we make? As we prepare to receive the Lord today in the Eucharist, let us also prepare to truly receive him in our hearts. As we prepare our hearts and lives for the day the Lord comes, let us call to mind our needs and the needs of the world around us.

- For the Church, that we may make straight the Lord's paths, allowing his presence to permeate our lives and the lives of people around the world, especially those desperate for comfort and hope, we pray to the Lord
- For world leaders, that they may listen to the voices crying out in the desert, the voices of those who hunger and thirst for sustenance, justice and peace, we pray to the Lord
- For those struggling to make their way out of rugged lands and rough countries—immigrants, refugees and those seeking asylum—that they may find strength and confidence in their faith as Isaiah and the exiles from Jerusalem did centuries ago, we pray to the Lord
- For those suffering the effects of COVID, for those who care for them, and those who will deliver the vaccine to end the pandemic, we pray to the Lord
- For beneficial weather and protection from violent storms, we pray to the Lord
- For the repose of the soul of Blanca Olivas as she joins the saints and angels in the glory of God and for comfort for her family and friends who loved her, 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 silence of our hearts, we pray to the Lord.

Lord of all, you call us to repentance, not just because we have sinned, but because you wish that all should live. Grant us the strength to seek forgiveness as you listen to the prayers we make through the One whose coming we long for, Jesus Christ our 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.

Marriage Recognition Certificate Application

Certificates signed by Bishop Joe Vasquez will be available for married couples celebrating 10 years of marriage or more (increments of 5 years: 10, 15, 20 etc.) (**Valid Catholic Marriages only**) Please return this form to the **Parish Office by December 20**.

Certificates will be presented the weekend of December 26-27: Attending: Saturday _____ Sunday _____

Husband's Full Name _____

Wife's Full Name including Maiden Name _____

Address _____ Phone Number _____

Email: _____

Anniversary Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year of Marriage _____ Number of Years Married _____

Name of Catholic Church your Marriage took place _____