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Coordinator: Virginia Lee 512-859-2634 sscmre@gmail.com

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Holy Rosary: 30 minutes before every Holy Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:15-5:45PM/Thursday 5-5:30PM during Adoration/By Appointment

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

Healing Mass: First Thursday of every month

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.

## Fifth Sunday of Easter—May 18, 2014

## († Deceased/\*Living)

Saturday May 17 6:00PM † John Jezisek; † Antonio Gonzales; † Vince Marek; † Henry & Angeline Dillard

Sunday May 18 10:00AM For the living and deceased members of SSCM

Tuesday May 20 8:00AM † Alfred Vrana Wed May 21 6:30PM † Robert Jezisek

Thurs May 22 6:00PM † Mary Kurtin Walker 4PM-5:45PM Adoration/Benediction

Friday May 23 8:00AM † Cecilia & Louis Vrana

Saturday May 24 6:00PM For the living and deceased members of SSCM

Sunday May 25 10:00AM † Rafael & Mercedes Rivera; † Carolyn Konarik Kaiser; † Lillian & John David;

† Antonio Gonzales; † August Motloch, Sr.; † Anton Huf

We pray for Healing: Stewart Remervo, Betty Pekar, Albina Teltow, Rafaela Trevino, Georgia Mikulencak, Frances Martinka, Ollie Rendon, Georgia Strmiska, Lela Kaderka, Jordan Nira, Alice Hajda, Patricia Stefek, Amber Pacha, Curtis Ging, Kay Karkoska, Frank Krenek, Angie Pavelka, Loretta Remmert, Nettie Wall, Richard Williams.

Welcome to our Parish Family Jase Anthony & Brienne Elizabeth Huf baptized this Sunday.

Congratulations to all our Graduates. God bless you and keep you all the days of your life.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,567.00 Children: \$15.37 Building & Maintenance: \$1,066.00 Thank you for your generous support!

### **Liturgical Ministers** May 24-25

Saturday 6PM Lector: Pat Greger EMHC: Mike Vrana, JoAnn Pavelka, Henrietta Hajda, Beatrice Perez

Music: Guitar Group Servers: Aaron & James Arellano Cortez

Sunday 10AM Lector: Theresa Valdez EMHC: Mark & Wendy White, Greg Gonzalez, Trisha Lopez

Music: Darve & Karen Horak Servers: Brian & Emily Polasek, DJ Stefek

EMHC Route Bartlett Homes-Carolyn Kaderka Bartlett Will O' Bell- Ann Hall

Granger Villa- Mary Pavlat Granger Homes-Bill Pavlat Holland Homes- Frank Pajestka

RE Store: Saturday: Hortense Svehlak Sunday: Rose Fischler

**Thank you to all** who write your names and the amount of your donation on your tithing envelopes. You help make the accounting process so much more accurate, easier and faster.

*Special Collection* next weekend is for the Archdiocese of the Military which provides the Catholic Church's full range of pastoral ministries and spiritual services to those in the U.S. Armed Forces. Please be generous.

## Calendar of Events

Sunday May 18: 10AM Senior Mass (All High School and College Grads)

: 12 noon KC hamburgers (Hall)

Tuesday May 20 : 5PM Youth Ministry Bingo kitchen- Taco salad, soft taco, super nachos, nachos, rice, desserts

Thursday May 22 : 7PM Finance Council meeting (DPC)

Sunday May 25 : 11AM KJZT Chicken Fried Steak Dinner (Benefits Granger Volunteer Fire Dept)

### Parish

Please join in congratulating our graduating seniors after Mass. Cookies and punch will be served in the DPC. All are welcomed. We are very proud of our SSCM young people. May God bless them as they start a new chapter in their lives.

KJZT #18 will be serving Chicken Fried Steak lunches Sunday, May 25 starting at 11:00 to help the Granger Fire Department purchase much needed equipment. There will also be a drive-thru line.

Save the Date: Our Parish Picnic is June 29. It will have a new look this year. Fried Chicken Dinner 11AM-2PM. Silent Auction, entertainment and children's activities 12-2PM. Battle Dance 3-9PM. We will not be having the usual games this year so you are only being asked to bring a sweet for the dessert table and silent auction items (bring to Hall Saturday morning from 8AM -2PM). The work list will be available in June. Jolene Volek is in charge of scheduling.

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Would you like to know more about your faith? A new RCIA class is forming. If you are interested, please call Virginia at 512-859-2634 or email <a href="mailto:sscmre@gmail.com">sscmre@gmail.com</a>.

## Religious Ed

*Upper Room:* Do you have a ping pong table, air hockey table or foosball table in good condition, sitting in your garage not being used? If so, we would love to take it off your hands and put it to use. We are needing these items along with a Wii game system, teen Catholic or inspirational books, a sofa in good condition, candy, a couple of board games, or anything else you might have lying around you think a teen might enjoy. We are forming a recreation center we are calling the "Upper Room" for our High School students. We hope to make a place where they can spend time in a safe, fun, Catholic, and caring environment. If you would like to make a donation, please call Virginia at 512-859-2634 or email sscmre@gmail.com. Thank you.

### Bible Studies

A Powerful Study on the Blessed Mother Begins June 11 Filmed on location in the Holy Land, Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ. Join us for Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother beginning June 11 at 7:00 and continuing every Wednesday until August 6. The cost for course materials is \$35. For more information or to register for the study, call Virginia Loza-Lee at 512-859-2634 or emailsscmre@gmail.com.

Freedom Is A Powerful Word: Freedom to Love is a powerful, five-part study based on the Theology of the Body. It is specifically intended for young adults and college students and is presented by popular author and expert Christopher West. In it he lays out a convincing and refreshing road map to living a life of authentic freedom and love. In this study, you will learn: What the Theology of the Body is and how it can change your life; How to live a life of freedom; What real love looks like; The difference between love and lust; That contraception does not lead to freedom; That God has a plan for your future; ...and much more. The concepts in this study will change everything, including your worldview. This DVD and workbook study will be held on June 11 at 7:00. The cost is only \$20 and includes all course materials. For more information and to register, contact Virginia Loza-Lee at <a href="mailto:sscmre@gmail.com">sscmre@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:512-859-2634">512-859-2634</a>.

## Around the Diocese

Holy Trinity Catholic Church of Corn Hill invites you to their annual Polka Mass and Fried Chicken & Sausage Meal on Sunday, June 1. The Polka Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., with music provided by Fritz Hodde and the Fabulous Six and the St. Mary's Polka Choir of Taylor. A delicious Fried Chicken & Sausage meal will be served in the Parish Activity Center from 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. Adults: \$8.50 / Children: \$4.00. Drive-thru to-go plates available also. Stay for the afternoon and dance to more wonderful music by Fritz Hodde and the Fabulous Six (free-will donation).

The next Benediction Experience will be offered May 24 from 9 a.m. to noon at St. Patrick Parish in Hutto. Fathers Tom Frank and Kevin Rai and the Benediction Choir will lead this day of prayer and meditation. A light lunch will conclude the event. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, contact San Jose Parish at (512) 444-7587.

A Discernment Dinner for high school age Catholic men will be held on the first Wednesday of each month (June 4) at 7 p.m. at St. William Parish Rectory in Round Rock. Young men with an openness to encountering Christ, discovering their identity, and their mission are invited to join others for dinner, evening prayer, a presentation and discussion. For more information, contact Father Alex Caudillo at (512) 600-8154 or fralex@saintwilliams.org.

# Message from Our Pastor

### Dear Parish Family,

We who do various kinds of ministry for our parish or diocese do so because we are rooted in two basic realities: our discipleship toward Christ and our devotion to the general mission of the Church. Jesus in the gospels makes it clear that we must first wholeheartedly embrace Him as our Lord and Master, always hearing his word as it comes to us through the Holy Spirit.

St. Luke in Acts and St. Paul in his epistles make it clear that we must then, in cooperation with the same Spirit, express our discipleship in practical ways by engaging in any of the three main missions of the Church: worship (liturgy, sacraments, devotions, spirituality), education (adult, youth, children, Bible, theology), and service (social, community, missions, finance, justice, charity). Thus when we serve on our Parish Council or Finance Council we bring these three main missions together as one body.

#### Fr. Chris