



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Youth Ministers: Wendy & Mark White hafa_adai65@hotmail.com

Bible Studies: Mondays 8:30AM; 1st Saturdays 8:30AM (FMI: Virginia Lee)

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

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.

Pastor: Very Rev. Chris Ferrer

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 15, 2015

Saturday	Nov. 14	6:00 PM	Samantha Lugari & †Eileen Herrick; †Jeanette Carfer, Johnny & Vlasta Michalek; †Elizabeth Marek; † John Kurtin
Sunday	Nov. 15	10:00AM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Tuesday	Nov. 17	8:00 AM	† Clarence Matula; † Albin Bohac
Wed	Nov. 18	6:00 PM	† Johnny Michalek; † Alfred Vrana (Fr. Tom)
Thurs	Nov. 19	10:00AM	Will O Bell: Edith Kurtin (Fr. Stephen)
		4:00 PM	Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction
		6:00 PM	† Agnes Stojanik; † Edward Bigon
Friday	Nov. 20	8:00 AM	† Louis & Cecilia Vrana; † Sallie Cervenka
Saturday	Nov. 21	6:00 PM	Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday	Nov. 22	10:00AM	† Robert & Frank Jezisek; † Frank J. Mikulencak, Jr.; † Eddie Karkoska; † Alfred Cervenka, Jr.

We pray for Healing: Bobby Bohac, Ann Geil, John Gonzales, James Luna, Babs Kurtin, Rudy Bohac, Nina Ash, Susan Steffek, Lee Gaydos, William Pedroza, Sharon Long, Ethel Martinka, George Remerdo, Robert Degollado, Nicole Geil, Linda Mazoch Dlouhy, Bernice Vrabel, Brianna Rivera, Alice Hajda, Josh Hughes, Edwin Matysek, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana. *

Congratulations to Callen Hajda for earning High Academic Honors for the 1st marking period at St. Dominic Savio.

Offering: Sunday & All Saints: \$3,816.00 Children: \$22.00 Building & Maintenance: \$1,148.00

Liturgical Ministers November 21-22

Saturday	6PM	Lector: Lawrence Novak/Terry Lee Pekar	Servers: Aaron & James Arellano-Cortez
		Music: Guitar Group	EMHC: Marilyn Gaydos, Deborah Hensel, JoAnn Pavelka, Terry Pekar
Sunday	10AM	Lector: Rose Unnasch/ John Unnasch	Servers: Sarah Arellano, Mario Martinez
		Music: Darve/Karen Horak	EMHC: Baldo & Rosa Degollado, Harold & Carolyn Kaderka

Route EMHC: Griselda Steglich, Barbara Taisler, Beatrice Perez, JoAnn Pavelka

RE Store: 6PM: Lillian Pacha 10AM: Esther Villarreal

Special collection this weekend is for the "Christmas Meal for the Homebound." See Announcement for more information.

Special collection next weekend is for the Campaign for Human Development. Funds programs that give a hand up, rather than a handout, helps people living in poverty to identify problems, make decisions and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

Community Pantry: Nov. 19 distribution. Please bring items to Parish Office by 12Noon Wednesday November 18. Donation envelopes for Turkeys are available in the foyer.

Calendar of Events

Sunday	Nov. 15	: 12 Noon KC bingo kitchen—hamburgers
		: 2PM KC Bingo
		: 4:30PM KJZT meeting (Hall)
Wednesday	Nov. 18	: 7PM RE Classes
Sunday	Nov. 22	: 11AM KJZT bingo kitchen—homemade chicken noodle soup (Benefits Food Panty)
		: 2PM KC Bingo
		: 6PM Community Thanksgiving Service (St. Love All Baptist Church)

Parish

Thank you to all who came to our Parish Mission last week. Your presence was most appreciated. Special thanks to Fr. Barry, our presenter, our sacristans, the Guitar Group for providing the music each evening, the Legion of Mary and all auxiliary members for praying the rosary, and to the special groups who provided meals each evening: Ladies of the Hispanic Ministry, the KJZT, the KJT, and the Knights of Columbus for your generous donations and volunteers. May God bless you all!

Save the date: Monday, December 14, 2015 is the SSCM meal for the homebound, sick, elderly and disadvantaged. There is a collection envelope provided for this if you wish to donate. It was formerly known as "Under the Blue Mantel" and is NOT a KJT function. Parishioners are asked to help prepare the meal and fill to-go plates at the hall starting at 7am. Helpers and recipients are invited to eat at the hall and socialize. If you know of someone or would like to receive a plate please contact John Pavelka ([512-859-2748](tel:512-859-2748)) to organize delivery or time to come to the hall. This year the KJZT has donated all of the turkey as well as toasted bread and cornbread for the dressing.

Legion of Mary: Thank you to all the families who have invited our Blessed Mother in their homes during this past month. The signup list continues and is full for the rest of the year. Slots are now available for 2016 so please reserve your week. Blessed Mother Mary is so happy to be with each of you and will continue to travel as long as she is invited.

Kolache Bake, November 21 –\$12.00/doz. Advance orders only. Please call Kay Karkoska @ 512-859-1001 or email: dkkarkoska@gmail.com to place your orders. Orders will be taken until limit is reached and then a waiting list will be started if we have extras, so please order early.

Mission to McAllen is planning a fall trip to bring warm clothing and other items to the Sacred Heart Humanitarian Center during the first week in December. Needed are coats/jackets, winter hats and gloves, travel blankets, rosaries, men and women shoes size 4,5,6,7,8, bras size 34-38, a,b,c,d, sweaters and hoodies, girls size 3-4 clothes, backpacks and belts. Your previous donations have been very welcome. Please drop your donations off at the church office by Dec. 1. For more information please call Deborah at 979-571-0461

Area

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service Sunday, November 22 at 6PM. St. Love All Baptist Church 3600 N. Willis Street. Please bring a finger food dish to share. Choir members are asked to join together for SSCM music presentation.

St. Mary's Catholic School in Taylor is in need of substitutes. Must be EIM trained (or willing to get trained prior to first assignment) and must have at least a high school diploma. FMI please contact Kim Bohac at [512-352-2313](tel:512-352-2313)

Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center will host the **annual Advent Dinner** Dec. 3 with wine and cheese served at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and a presentation. The guest speaker is Bishop Daniel Garcia. Cost is \$25. For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:254-780-2436) or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

A Silent Advent Retreat will be held Dec. 4-6 at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. Take time away from the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season to prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. The retreat begins Friday evening and concludes with Mass on Sunday. Spiritual direction is available. Cost is \$165 (private room). For more information or to register, contact Cedarbrake at [\(254\) 780-2436](tel:254-780-2436) or cedarbrake@austindiocese.org.

Eagle's Wings Retreat Center will host its second annual 5K Fun Run/Walk Dec. 5 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Olympic silver medalist Leo Manzano will speak to and run with the participants. There will be prizes awarded throughout the event. To register, visit www.ewrc.org.

ROAR II Progress Report ~ We are 95% of the way there! Make your pledge today!

109 of 400+ parish families have answered the call. Pledge cards are available by the Church Rendition in the foyer.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly. You may drop your pledge/payments in the collection basket.

Pledged: \$112,065.00 64 Pledges Paid in Full Fundraisers thus far: \$21,165.30 Memorials and Donations: \$9,760.00

\$150,000-142,990.30=\$7,009.70 needed to reach our goal

Message from Our Pastor

The gospel reading prepares the Church for the approaching season of Advent, which reminds us of both the first coming of Jesus at Christmas and his second coming at the end of time.

EXEGESIS:

This highly dramatic speech by Jesus also reflects what was happening in the early Church when this was written by Matthew. The speech interweaves references to two major events: not only the end of the world (called the Parousia or Eschaton) in the absolute future but also the earlier destruction of Jerusalem by the pagan Romans in 70 A.D. (i.e., 40 years in the future when Jesus is saying this but in the recent past when Matthew is writing it around 75 A.D.). In previous verses not mentioned in this reading, three apostles asked Jesus for his clarification about his indirect prediction of the 70 A.D. event. So Jesus uses the opportunity to predict the fall of Jerusalem (as indicated by "This generation will not pass away before this occurs") and the Parousia (as indicated by his glorious return as the heavenly Son of Man).