



SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday Noon

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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

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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Pastoral Council: Chip Geil

Finance Council: Chris Nemeč

Holy Cross Cemetery: Cecilia Stefek

Calvary Cemetery: James Cervenka

Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 9, 2018

Saturday	Dec. 8	8:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish (Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception) 6:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday	Dec. 9	10:00AM † Albert Vrana; † George Vrana; † Anton Sladeczek; † John Stefek; † Maureen Patricia Poplawski; † John F. Knapak
Tuesday	Dec. 11	12:00PM † Albin, Agnes & Robert Bohac
Wednesday	Dec. 12	7:00PM † Olga Marshall; † Antonio Lizardo [Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass]
Thursday	Dec. 13	12:00PM † Eric Carpenter [NO Adoration Father Hilario at Diocesan Event]
Friday	Dec. 14	8:00AM James L Pekar Family; † Eileen Herrick
Saturday	Dec. 15	6:00PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish
Sunday	Dec. 16	10:00AM † Charlie Pajestka; † Nell Delgado; † Jessie & Agnes Stojanik; † VJ & Margie Hajda; † Kevin R Emmert

We pray for the repose of the soul of Henrietta Haessly. May she rest in peace.

Offering: Sunday: \$3,867.00 Children: \$29.01 Medical Retirement Fund: \$1,110.00

2019 Tithing Envelopes are available in the Cryroom. If you need a box please leave your information on the signup sheet.

Remember to make your yearend donations by December 31 for 2018 tax credit.

Liturgical Ministers December 15-16

Saturday 6PM	Lector: Pat Greger	EMHC: Theresa Hajda, Ronnie Steffek, George & Kate Strmiska
	Music: Volunteer	Servers: Alexi Montagnino, Lexi Lopez, Dominik Lopez, Onesimo Rodriguez
Sunday 10AM	Lector: Ellen Wolf	EMHC: Harold, Carolyn & Kurt Kaderka, Chris Nemeč
	Music: Guitar Group	Servers: JD Morgan, Cody, Evan & Caleb Polasek

Route EMHC: Theresa Hajda, Marilyn Gaydos, Dolly Hyzak

If you know of anyone needing to be **added to the route** or a pastoral call from Fr. Hilario please call the office or his cell phone to set up an appointment. The person needing this or the legal representative needs to make this request.

Religious Articles Store: 6PM: Ofelia Lopez 10AM: Lillian Pacha

Special collection this weekend is for the Building and Maintenance Fund.

Granger Food Pantry collection is this week for December 20 distribution. Bring donations by Wednesday Dec. 19.

Flowers: (2 Gold on Main) In honor of Gary & Marilyn Gaydos' 35th Wedding Anniversary

(Mary Altar) In honor of our Blessed Mother

Calendar of Events

Saturday	Dec. 8	: 4-8PM Youth Ministry Taco Dinner at the Hall
Sunday	Dec. 9	: 11AM Youth Ministry kitchen-hamburgers and fries /2PM KC Bingo : 1:30PM Legion of Mary Rosary at Will O Bell (Everyone is welcomed to join)
Tuesday	Dec. 11	: 2-4PM Fresh Food for All at the Parish Hall (Volunteers needed at 12:30PM) : 7PM KC Bingo
Wednesday	Dec. 12	: Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Sweet breads and hot cocoa will be served afterwards in the DPC)
Sunday	Dec. 16	: 12PM KC kitchen—hamburgers/ 2PM KC Bingo : 1:30PM Nativity set up (Volunteers needed)

Parish News

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Anyone interested in joining this ministry to serve at Mass and/or the Homebound Route, please contact the Parish Office by December 15. Training will be held sometime early 2019 for new ministers. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to serve your local church. Many hands make light work.

Christmas Meal: This meal was provided under the sponsorship of UNDER THE BLUE MANTEL and funded from the special collection from November 25th and with other donations totaling \$1,274.00. The cost of the meal was \$959.84. Thirty-eight volunteers helped prepare, serve and deliver meals including student council members from Granger High school. This meal is one of appreciation for our senior citizens. This includes widows, widowers, single elderly, sick, recovering from surgery, homebound and disadvantaged in the Granger area, parishioners from Holland, Bartlett and Holy Trinity Parish. A total of 359 plates were served of which 124 people came to the hall. We would like to thank everyone who helped to make this meal a success. You are awesome. Merry Christmas

Religious Education

We are currently accepting donations for our Annual Fundraiser Prizes. (Deadline December 16) The fundraiser allows us to buy curriculum, keep registration fees low, pay expenses for special days (the Rosary, First Communion and Confirmation retreats), Stations of the Cross, and Fun day), helps fund VBS, and pays for Senior Scholarships. Please Contact Miriam Morales if you would like to donate. Thank you for your support. 512-859-2634 or sscmre@gmail.com

Area News and Events

Simbang Gabi Masses in Austin Accompany Mary this Advent season by celebrating a centuries-old Filipino tradition Dec. 14-22. Simbang Gabi, which translates to “night-dawn Mass,” is a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary in response to the great gift of Christ. In the Philippines, this novena is an expression of accompanying Mary as she awaits the birth of Jesus. Simbang Gabi Masses will be celebrated Dec. 14 - 21 at 7 p.m. at St. Peter the Apostle Parish in Austin. The closing Mass will be celebrated Dec. 22 at 5:30 p.m. All are invited to join and celebrate in this special Filipino tradition. (Fr. Chris Ferrer’s Parish)

Deanery Penance Services:

St. Mary, Taylor	Dec 10	6:30 pm	St. Patrick, Hutto	Dec 18	7 pm
St. Joseph, Manor	Dec 11	7 pm	St. William, Round Rock	Dec 19	1-6 pm
Holy Trinity, Corn Hill	Dec 16	5 pm	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Taylor	Dec 20	7 pm
St. William, Round Rock	Dec 17	7 pm	St. Helen, Georgetown	Dec 21	7 pm

GRANGER COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY NOVEMBER 2018

Thanks for your generous contributions and continuing to support this community service. Families Served – 67
 Cash Donations received for Food Pantry = \$2,330.00 Pounds of Food received for Food Pantry = 707 pounds
 SSCM – \$770.00 and 110 pounds of food KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - \$500.00 GRANGER PIT STOP - \$75.00
 BRETHERN CHURCH- \$50.00 and 22 pounds of food TEMPLE/KILLEEN BOWLERS - \$235.00 and 250 pounds of food
 GEMINI, INC. - \$400.00 LIONS CLUB - \$300.00 RED AND WHITE – Provides meat and eggs at cost
 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, Lindsey Edlin = 325 pounds of food
 ANONYMOUS COUPLE FROM GEORGETOWN – Once again, the sweet couple from Georgetown brought an assortment of considerate items for families. It included multiple bars of soap, blankets (adult and children), and bottles of Tide Detergent.
What Can You Do? The pantry is low on many items. We could use canned goods (i.e. canned corn, green beans), soups, desserts (i.e. box cake mixes, pudding, cookies, fruit) cereal, oatmeal, grits, malto meal, pastas, tuna, soap, detergent, shampoo, lotions, and toilet paper. Money contributions will help volunteers purchase needed items.
Next Food Pantry: The next food pantry will be December 20 **from 12:00 – 4:00.** For any food items, please deliver to the church office or church the day before.
FRESH FOOD FOR ALL: 2nd Tuesday of every month, Food Distribution 2:00-4:00 p.m. at SSCM Hall. Next date is Tuesday, December 11 from 2 until 4. In November we served 72 families which included distributing 1276 pounds of food. Thanks to the volunteers that make this happen and Hill Country Ministries. We welcome anyone to volunteer to sort and distribute. Volunteers please show up at 12:30 to prepare food on the date of distribution.

Second Sunday of Advent

“O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart” (Is 30:19,30). We are called to hope in the Lord who will indeed make all things new. May we be radiant signs of this hope as we witness our faith and love through helping the least among us

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 9.**

Certificates will be presented the weekend of December 29-30: Attending: Saturday_____ Sunday_____

Husband’s Full Name _____

Wife’s Full Name including Maiden Name _____

Address _____ Phone Number _____

Anniversary Date: Month____ Day____ Year of Marriage____ Number of Years Married_____

Name of Catholic Church your Marriage took place _____



Friends in Christ,

Thank you to everyone who participated in Commitment Weekend when we asked you to consider a sacrificial gift to the campaign. If you were unable to attend Mass last weekend you will be able to fill out a pledge card this weekend.

We are happy to report that we have now achieved 88% of our parish goal from 103 families. **It is only through the participation and support of each one of our families that we can truly be successful.**

Your gift will make a significant impact on the generational impact and growth of the Diocese and our local parish. The Encountering Christ funds at our parish will go towards the parking lot repairs and updates to the rectory.

May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly.

Father Hilario Guajardo

Encountering Christ Goal:
 \$85,000,000
 Parish Goal: \$315,000
 Total Raised: \$278,175
 Percentage Raised: 88%
as of December 6th, 2018

Remaining to Raise:
 \$36,835

Help us reach our campaign goal by making a pledge to the campaign!