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#### SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS CHURCH

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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 <a href="mailto:darve.horak@gmail.com">darve.horak@gmail.com</a>

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.

# Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—June 7, 2015

Saturday June 6 8:00 AM † Juaquina Arellano

6:00 PM † Henry & Angeline Dillard; †Liberty & Henry Bartosh; † Margie Hajda; †Julie Kaderka

Sunday June 7 10:00AM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Tuesday June 9 8:00 AM † Louis & Robert Cervenka; † Germilla Pavlasek

Wed June 10 6:00 PM † Patrick Hajda; For the Petty Family Thurs June 11 10:00AM Granger Villa: † Johnny Michalek

4:00 PM Adoration/Liturgy of the Hours/Benediction

6:00 PM † Robert Cervenka

Friday June 12 8:00 AM † Agnes Stojanik; † Marie Repa

Saturday June 13 6:00 PM Living and deceased members of SSCM Parish

Sunday June 14 10:00AM †August Motloch; † Jack Griffith; †Robert Jezisek; †Vince Marek

We pray for Healing: Nina Ash, Curtis Ging, Bernice Vrabel, Terry Griffith, Roselle Fischler, Minnie Perez, Josh Hughes, Ann Pease, Larry Maresh, Monica Horak, Bennie Bartosh, Deacon John Thornton, Donald Pacha, Nicole Geil, Alice Taisler, Joseph

Campos, Annie Vanek, Liz Vrana \*(Please contact office when the immediate need of prayer has passed.)

Offering: Sunday: \$3,319.00 Children: \$35.00 Thank you.

## Liturgical Ministers June 13-14

Saturday 6PM Lector: Diana Kerlin/Ronnie Steffek Servers: Colton & Colby Marek

Music: Volunteer EMHC: Ronnie Steffek, Terry Pekar, Mike Vrana, Mark White

Sunday 10AM Lector: Marilyn Gaydos/John Unnasch Servers: Brian, Emily & Evan Polasek

Music: Guitar Group EMHC: Darve Horak, Elena Castro, Griselda Steglich, Theresa Valdez

EMHC: Carolyn Kaderka, Angie Pavelka, John Pavelka, Ronnie Steffek

Religious Articles Store 6PM: Hortense Svehlak 10AM: Ofelia Lopez

**Special Collection** this weekend: Hundreds of homes and businesses have been damaged or destroyed by floods and tornadoes throughout Central Texas over Memorial Day weekend. If writing check, please put "Disaster Relief" in memo. If you donated to the collection last weekend, thank you for your generosity.

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

**Granger Food Pantry** collection begins this week. Please bring items to church by Wednesday, June 17. May report at main entrance of the Church.

### Calendar of Events

Sunday June 7: 11:30AM KJT Hamburgers and fries

: 5PM Picnic planning meeting (Hall)

Monday June 8 : 6:30PM Ethics and Integrity Basic (School) Friday June 12 : 6PM 'The Cup of Our Life' Retreat (DPC)

Sunday June 14: 11AM Youth Ministry Bingo Kitchen—Burgers and Fries

#### Parish

LAST WEEKEND TO SIGN UP! Our (FREE-no fee!) spiritual retreat will be on Friday evening, June 12th, at the DPC, beginning at 6 p.m. with a potluck meal of everyone's favorite salads, sandwiches or finger foods. Belinda Ozuna, from St. Mary's Parish, in Taylor, will then guide us in spiritual enrichment based on the book, The Cup of Our Life. This is a great "one-evening", free-of-charge opportunity to boost our spirituality among fellow Sisters in Christ. All you have to bring is yourself, your love of God and your favorite dish to share in the potluck meal. If you have questions, please contact Karen Simcik, at 512.859.2742, or iksimcik@gmail.com Sign-up sheet is in the back entrance of the church.

Everest--Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power July 13-17: Adventure seekers are needed to lead or help at this year's Vacation Bible School. We need adult leaders, teen leaders (those entering the 6th grade-12th grade), set builders, photographers, and volunteers. You can see the list of volunteer opportunities and can register by going to our website <a href="mailto:osv.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/sscmre">osv.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/sscmre</a>, email <a href="mailto:sscmre@gmail.com">oscmre@gmail.com</a> or call Virginia at <a href="mailto:512-859-2634">512-859-2634</a>. If you can give an hour, a day, a week of your time to help children learn and get closer to God. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Your prayers are also requested for a successful VBS.

St. Helen's Society #18 wants to thank everyone who came out and supported our Chicken Fried Steak fund raiser for the Granger Volunteer Fire Department either by working in the kitchen and the pit, baking a dessert or purchasing plates. We raised \$3,000 and the KJZT State office will match a percentage of it. Thank You and God Bless everyone for your support and generosity.

### Two new Bible Studies are coming soon to SSCM.

The Study of the Book of Acts and Walking Toward Eternity, Engaging in the Struggles of Your Heart

**ACTS** – The Spread of the Kingdom with Jeff Cavins begins August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday, except for Labor Day, and ends March 5, 2016 from 8:45-1:30. We will be meeting at the DPC and viewing three Videos each meeting. This is a 20 week study, but has been condensed into 7 meetings for your convenience. This study will show the role of the Holy Spirit in bringing Christ and the good news to the ends of the earth. The power behind the Church. The cost is \$30.00.

**WALKING TOWARD ETERNITY,** Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart with Jeff Cavins begins, Monday, October 5, 2015 and every Monday through Thanksgiving from 8:30-10:30 in the DPC. This is an 8 week study that can open our eyes to obstacles in our Christian walk. Do you ever struggle with anger, fear, loneliness or hopelessness? Do you ever feel enslaved by shame, envy or your appetites? Learn the practical ways to overcome. The cost is \$20.00.

If interested in joining either study, please remember that the DEADLINE to register is **JULY 6TH, 2015.** If interested, please contact Mary Geil 512.576.7371 or at email address mgeil@eccwireless.net.

# Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Items needed for VBS: This year's theme for Vacation Bible School is "Everest Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power." We will be transforming the School into a winter wonderland including mountains, trees and snow. We need to borrow the following items: pop up tents (will be used for decoration only), Christmas trees, climbing gear (ropes, backpacks, picks), snow gear (skis, snow shoes), white Christmas lights, and white sheets. If you would like to lend or donate any of these items, there are slips located on the bulletin board at the back of the Church. Please fill one out, so we know if we need to return your item, and include it with the item you bring. Thank you very much for your help. For more information, email <a href="mailto:sscmre@gmail.com">sscmre@gmail.com</a> or call <a href="mailto:512-859-2634">512-859-2634</a>.

### Community and Area

The Granger FCCLA would like to give a big "Thank You" to all that supported the Tuesday bingo supper. Thank you to the KC's for their support and the ladies from the Bible study group that donated desserts. A very special "Thank You" goes to Peggy Steffek for her time, food donations and for helping out with everything. The FCCLA is very appreciative of all the support they have received in their quest to raise money for the trip to Washington DC.

### Message from our Pastor

In today's gospel, Mark gives us the oldest account of the Last Supper. At this event, Jesus leaves to his apostles (and to us, the Church) his great gift of his physical, mystical, sacramental presence in his Eucharistic body and blood. EXEGESIS:

Mark emphasizes the Last Supper as the Jewish Passover meal in order to highlight Jesus as THE sacrificial Lamb of God. Jesus already has made preparations for the meal, which has to be celebrated with some secrecy, because the authorities are seeking to arrest Him. Because women, not men, usually carried water jars in town, the man here who will be easily spotted carrying one, acts as a secret signal and guide for the apostles.

Jesus then identifies the meal's bread and wine with his own body and blood. The Greek verb used for "is" indicates literalness and not mere symbolism for this miracle. Jesus' body will be broken like the bread, and his blood will be shed like the animals' blood. The "many" for whom He will die can be interpreted from the Greek as for "all."

Mark does not mention the command to "do this in memory of Me," but he does have Jesus move the Last Supper event continuously into the future when the kingdom of God will be in its fullness. And like the "Go, the Mass is ended" at our liturgy, the apostles go forward into the world with a sense of mission, symbolized by the Mount of Olives.