

Dear Beloved People of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

None of us needs to be reminded of the concerns we have about what the next point of turmoil could be. Our first reading for today provides us with very hopeful words: "write down the vision clearly...so that one can read it readily. For the vision still has its time." The last sentence of this reading states that "the rash one has no integrity; but the just one, because of his faith, shall live." How fascinating, then, that the apostles in our Gospel passage ask Jesus to increase their faith. Jesus no doubt was smiling when he responded with the words "if you have faith the size of a mustard seed..." Jesus is saying to those apostles and to us that it is not a matter of "if we have faith", it is a matter of "given that we have faith."

The disciples in turn might have responded that they had no interest in replanting a tree in the sea. They were feeling overwhelmed at their growing awareness of what Jesus was asking of His followers. Jesus had recently told two parables about money, greediness, self-centeredness and critical thinking in a time of crisis. In other words, Jesus was calling His disciples as He calls all of us to place our security in the goodness of God. Jesus was asking them to follow His example, which was no doubt daunting to Jesus's first followers, not unlike our wondering if we are up to the mission. They thought they needed an increase of faith, and Jesus is asking them and us to realize that faith is a gift graciously instilled in us at our conception. Being created through the wonders of God's graciousness, God provides us what we need in order to deal well with the challenges of life.

Our first reading can easily awaken within us an awareness of how troubling our times are, what with the violence that exists, the extent of misery that so many people suffer, not to mention how much strife prevails as well as clamorous discord. To all this Jesus speaks about our role as servants. The primary point being made is that all is gift from our all-generous God. It is simply not appropriate to think we have a right to demand anything from God any more than a servant coming in from the field can expect to sit down and be served. Our role of servant is an on-going adventure. While the last words of today's Gospel seem quite harsh, the point they convey is that we come to realize how blessed we are to be able to serve God and one another as our way of being grateful for all the goodness that we enjoy.

It is difficult to take in and to realize that anchoring our security in God not only does not diminish us, but the greater we entrust ourselves to God the more fulfilling our lives will be. The words of our second reading frame our disposition: "bear your share of hardship for the Gospel with the strength that comes from God." God might ask a great deal from us, but God's blessings eliminate any sense that we think we deserve better from God. We pray that we come to realize what a great honor it is to find every way possible to serve our God by transforming aspects of our world that are not in line with God's vision.

~Fr. Roman



"stir into flame the gift of God that you have"

2 Timothy 1:6

Schedule for the week of October 7th—October 11th. Sunday-October 6th: 10:30am RCIA Inquiry, Small Conf. rm. Monday-October 7th: 6:00pm Rosary Group, Church. Tuesday-October 8th: 1:00pm Respect Life Ministry, MS room; 6:00pm Reflections of the Word, St. Cecilia rm. Wednesday-October 9th: 9:15am Tai Chi, Church Vestibule; 12:00pm Lectio Divina, St. Cecilia rm.; 7:00pm SVdP Mtg., M 4. Thursday-October 10th: 9:15am Divine Mercy Chaplet, Church; 6:00pm Community Meal, Halls; 6:30pm Catholics Returning Home, Sm. Conf. rm. Friday-October 11th: 7:00am Men's Prayer Group, M 4.

No daily Mass at Divine Savior Tuesday—Friday, October 8th—11th. The priests in the Sacramento Diocese will be at the annual Priest Convocation. The closest parish where there will be daily Mass is St. Joseph Marelo, 7200 Auburn Folsom Road in Granite Bay at 8:00am.



Mark your calendars and get your costumes ready! Divine Savior's faith formation ministries host Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 27th!

2:30 carnival games in gym
3:00 parade through gym out to trunks in back parking lot

We are looking for people to decorate their cars & give out candy. Please contact Denise at (916) 989-7400 or denise@divinesavior.com if you would like to decorate your trunk!



MASS INTENTIONS. October 5th: 4:30pm Ted Laitinen (D), Nick Ostrogonac (D). October 6th: 7:45am People of the Parish; 9:30am George & Delores Brousseau (D), Pat Hamilton (D); 11:30am Verrill Bassett (D), Ted Laitinen (D), Joe Paddock (D). October 7th: 8:30am. October 8th: 8:30am. October 9th: 8:30am. October 10th: 8:30am. October 11th: 8:30am. October 12th: 8:30am Paul Moreau, Tracy Hass; 4:30pm Ted Laitinen (D), Nick Ostrogonac (D). October 13th: 7:45am Paul Moreau; 9:30am Henry Gomes (D), Bill Maciej (D); 11:30am Dennis Knight (D), Russ Makely (D); 5:30pm People of the Parish.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jon 1:1 -- 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

This Sunday is "Respect Life Sunday". May we show by our words and actions that every human life is CHERISHED, CHOSEN and SENT by God for a purpose that is individual to each of us, no matter the age, physical or mental condition.

Pray for our Military Personnel wherever duty calls them to serve, homeland or overseas. Adrienne Aleschus, James Aleschus, John Aleschus, Logan Amos, Sean Amos, James Atwood, Andrew Bauer, Jordan Biasotti, Anthony Brooks, Jonathan Brooks, Jacob Camarillo, Aimee Chabot, Ephrem Choi, Elsie Cruz, Matt David, Travis Dardis, Derek Deatherage, David DeLaCruz, Alisen Dowell, Joe Downey, Andrew Durham, Brian Eberhard, Katharine Ernst & A.J. Smith, Tom Feyoe, Mathew Fox, Timothy Fox, Joseph Gast, Tyler Gedstad, Erek Hartsell, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hocker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Isla, Tyler Kenobbie, William Krantz, Tyler Krantz, Andy Kuehn, Dayna Landry, Charles Philip Lopez, Kelly Mancini, Doran Martin, John Masterson, Bennet D. McGrane, Garrett McMann, Aaron McMurray, Francis Montojo, Joseph M. Paddock, Nathan Paddock, Chris Payant, David Petisor, Darin Pillman, Tim Pillman, Rachael Portoman, Logan Rasmussen, Trey Rasmussen, Tim Reid, Neal Ridge, Tony Rodriguez, Nicholas Roha, Ryan Roux, Matthew Sandoval, April Skou, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Thatche, Jadyne Trujillo, Aimee Vigil, Noah Villarreal, Danny Walsh, David Wentling, Kyle William and Brian Wright, Alexander Wrinkle. If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary at 916-988-4984 to have them removed.

Please pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing. (Names will appear for 3 weeks unless an extension is requested.)

- Alice Amantea, Bill Amantea, Sheldon Anderson Jr, Taryn Benson, Talon Bonanno, Eduardo Bravo, Pat Collier, Joan Cotton, Mary Crandall, Noreen Davis, Michael W. Donner, Reggie Faulk, Jim Fouret, J.J. Hall, Tracy Hass, Martin Jennings, John Lehane, Angelita Martinez, Vicente Meno, Allen D. Nelson, Patty Nicholson, Karen Paddock, Eleanor Peterson, Madeline Rose, Donna Schulte, Tom Sekel, Shari Sigl, Janet Thompson, John Wick.

Please pray for the souls of those who have died: Mary Jo Adams, Fenwick "Butch" Holmes, Ted Laitinen, Nick Ostrogonac

—For these and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

VOCATIONS CROSS

Sunday, October 6th at the 11:30am Mass, Becky Barela will take home the Vocations Cross to pray daily for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Religious Life.



**Parish Announcements**

**DID YOU KNOW?**

There will be a Family Mass at 11:30am next Sunday, October 13th. The Children's Choir will be singing and the Children's Faith Formation families will be proclaiming the readings and helping to greet.



**LITURGY CORNER—SAVE THE DATE**

**Liturgical Ministry Day of Reflection**

We are excited to announce a retreat for all Liturgical Ministers on Saturday, October 26th from 9:30am - 2:30pm in Hall A/Hospitality.

Rose Hernandez, of the Diocese of Fresno will be facilitating the retreat.

We are a part of something greater than ourselves. Come explore and reflect upon the relationship of our ministry to our parish and to the world.

Please RSVP to [elaine@divinesavior.com](mailto:elaine@divinesavior.com) if you are attending or can help with refreshments. You may also call the parish office to RSVP with Kathleen.

ALL Liturgical ministers are HIGHLY encouraged to attend, and ALL are welcome.

We will have a blessing of Liturgical Ministers at all weekend Masses October 26th and 27th.

**OCTOBER, THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY** (Our Lady of the Rosary Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>)

*Comments by St. Pope John Paul II*

“THE ROSARY---A prayer for all and in all situations of life”

“The Rosary has accompanied me in moments of joy and in moments of difficulty. To it I have entrusted any number of concerns; in it I have always found comfort.

“The Rosary is my favorite prayer. A marvelous prayer! ....Marvelous in its simplicity and its depth.”

“Our heart can embrace in the decades of the Rosary all the events that make up the lives of individuals, families, nations, the Church, and all mankind. It covers our personal concerns and those of our neighbor, especially those who are closest to us, who are dearest to us. Thus the simple prayer of the Rosary marks the rhythm of human life”.

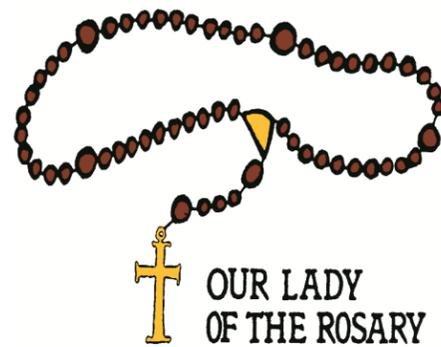
**ROSARY GROUPS AT DIVINE SAVIOR**

You are invited to join us to pray the rosary:

After 7:45am Sunday Mass at 8:45am by Mary's statue

Monday evenings at 6pm in the St. Cecilia room

Daily after morning Mass in the church



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**Parish Announcements**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Sarah Hart in concert at Divine Savior on Friday, December 6th at 7:00pm.

**Don't forget to invite your friends and family.** Find out more about Sarah at <https://www.sarahhart.com/>



**CHRISTMAS BASKET MINISTRY – 2019!**

**Applications are now available to RECEIVE a Christmas Basket.** They can be obtained from your child's elementary school, from parish faith formation leaders, or from the parish office. Confidentiality is strictly maintained.

*Sponsor Family applications will be available beginning Oct. 12/13 in the vestibule and via the parish website; these applications have a bright orange sheet attached.*

Questions about the Christmas Basket Ministry? Call 916-220-2604 or email: [christmasbasket@divinesavior.com](mailto:christmasbasket@divinesavior.com).

**FAIR TRADE COFFEE**

Sales will take place **NEXT Saturday and Sunday, October 12th & 13th** at each Mass in the Vestibule.



**Parish Announcements**

**Year over Year Plate Collection Performance**

	Week # 13	YTD thru Week # 13	Online giving
<b>2019-2020 Year</b>	\$ 14,076	\$ 216,993	\$ 304
<b>2018-2019 Year</b>	\$ 12,507	\$ 193,395	
<b>Building Fund</b>	\$ 8,180		

**DISCOVERY SESSIONS**

Divine Savior is hosting four "Discovery Sessions" based around the common themes reflected in the parish survey. Our first "Discovery Session" will focus on the Social Activities theme. Please come and share your ideas for future Divine Savior social events and activities for all ages. This Discovery Session will be held on **Sunday, November 1st at 1pm in Hospitality.** Your input will make a difference! All are welcome! For more information, contact Laini Harris at [greeneyedhockeygal@yahoo.com](mailto:greeneyedhockeygal@yahoo.com).

**Ministry Opportunities**

**MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND**

We are having our next quarterly meeting on Oct. 19 in Y1, from 9:15 to 11:00. If you are interested in our ministry—that of taking communion to people unable to get out to Mass for an extended period---please feel free to attend. Email Mary at [mtthmaryk@outlook.com](mailto:mtthmaryk@outlook.com) so that we can have enough material. We are a welcoming ministry. The time commitment is minimal, but the sense of personal fulfillment is great.



**MANNA, FOOD FROM HEAVEN**

Manna Ministry is a pastoral care outreach that was begun by 11 women when the parish was founded in 1987. Some of the founders are still preparing loving meals. Manna provides temporary, supplemental meals, when there is a newborn in the home, or when someone is down and out due to an illness, an injury, or the death of a loved one.

Please tell anyone you know who could benefit from this service about Manna. Encourage them to call or offer to call for them. For more information, a meal request, or **to volunteer**, please call Denise Verbeck at 916-967-5110 or the parish office at 916-989-7400.



**Parish Announcements**

**MOVING ON FELLOWSHIP**

Moving On will meet THIS Monday, Oct. 7, 10:30am, back room at Annie's Restaurant (Beech & Greenback) for no-host brunch and sharing our *interesting summer experiences*. This is an informal group of Divine Savior widows and widowers who welcome all those who have lost a loved one. We try to offer support, friendship, prayer and practical help to the bereaved. For more information, call Pat Biasotti, 530-307-2147.

**SAVE THE DATE—October 19th & 20th Foster Youth Food/Paper Goods Collection**

The food pantry for emancipated foster youth in Sacramento County is once again in need of non-perishable food items. These young people begin a life of independence at 18-20 years of age and need support from the community to be successful.



More info next week.

**Faith Formation News**

**ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC**

If you are thinking of becoming Catholic, there are RCIA sessions, called "Inquiry." In a warm and accepting environment, you are welcome to share your questions. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or [sharon@divinesavior.com](mailto:sharon@divinesavior.com)



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**Around the Diocese**

**14th Annual Divine Mercy Conference**

Saturday, October 12th 8:30am to 4:30pm

Divine Mercy Parish, Sacramento

Tickets: \$20. contact Linda 916-961-7082

Speakers: EWTN's Fr. Bill Casey

Eric Mahl (Cleveland Browns)

More details to come.



Jesus I Trust In You