Pastor's Corner

October 13, 2019

Parish Announcements

Schedule for the week of

Dear Beloved People of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

This Sunday's Gospel begins with another reminder that Jesus is continuing His journey to Jerusalem. This is a very important detail given that the tension between Jesus and the leaders of the Jewish people are getting more intense as Jesus invites and challenges them to change many of their values and actions. Given that Jesus put out some rather drastic suggestions for changes in the economic system in the last several weeks, we can easily imagine that the occupying Roman Empire is anything but thrilled with Jesus.

That Jesus continues His journey quite aware of what awaits Him in Jerusalem is a call to us to renew our commitment to do all we can to help transform our own lives as well as the dysfunctional and debilitating systems that cause so many of us to experience on-going concern and anxiety about what is going on in our country and in many parts of the world. We realize that, if we push too energetically against these trends that need to be transformed, we might find ourselves in the position Jesus did. Do we, like Him, continue to push for change regardless of the consequences we might suffer, or do we pull back and hope things will change without our efforts?

This Gospel passage about the ten lepers is quite familiar to us. Everybody plays by the rules of the day for the first two scenes. Lepers were to remain at a distance from all the other people for two reasons; one, because of their sores they were considered unclean and not fit to be a part of the regular community. Two, fear that their ailment was contagious was another reason for them to keep their distance. Jesus does His part by sending them to the priests who, if they were going to be healed, would vouch for that and allow them to return to community participation. We see the confidence of Jesus on display as His mere sending them to the priests and their faith in Jesus their Master was enough to bring about their healing.

In the culture of Jesus' time, saying "thank you" meant that whatever one offered thanks for would be the last interaction between those folks. The Samaritan knew that was the case for him and so expressed his gratitude; his doing so gave Jesus the opportunity to affirm him and his faith. That Jesus asked where the other nine were might very well have been Jesus way of calling for another change in their culture, that expressing thanks is the human thing to do and to forget the culture that in this case held that Jesus could to say to the nine, "look, I did you a favor, and now it is time for you to do one for me." Given Jesus' affirming the faith of the Samaritan leads us to think that Jesus wanted people to realize that people doing good for one another is a sign of how good God is to us, and that God will not demand anything from us except to multiply the good out of gratitude for God's blessing.

That same understanding is made clear as Elisha in our first reading does not accept a gift from Naaman who followed Elisha's direction by which Naaman was healed of his ailment. Elisha wanted Naaman to take seriously God's goodness that brought the healing, for which Elisha, like Jesus, was an instrument.

~Fr. Roman

October 13th—October 19th **Sunday-October 13th** 10:30am RCIA Inquiry Small Conf. rm. **Monday-October 14th** 6:00pm Rosary Group Church Fr. Roman's small faith group Church 7:00pm **Tuesday-October 15th** Centering Prayer 9:15am Church St. Cecilia rm. 6:00pm Reflections of the Word Wednesday-October 16th 9:15am Tai Chi Church Vestibule 12:00pm Lectio Divina St. Cecilia rm. **Thursday-October 17th** 9:15am Divine Mercy Chaplet Church Prayer Shawl Ministry 1:00pm Library Community Meal 6:00pm Halls Catholics Returning Home Sm. Conf. rm. 6:30pm Friday-October 18th Men's Prayer Group 7:00am M 4 Saturday-October 19th 9:00am Ministry to the Homebound Mtg. Y 1



BRING YOUR KIDS AND GRANDKIDS!

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
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We are looking for people to decorate their cars. Cars will be parked behind the gym and need to be ready for Trunk –or-Treaters by 2:45pm. Please contact Denise at 916-

989-7400 or denise@divinesavior.com if you would like to decorate your trunk! If you can't come but want to donate peanut free candy please bring them to the office before Friday, October 25th!

Prayers of the Week

MASS INTE	NTIONS	
October 12th	4:30pm	Ted Laitinen (D)
	-	Nick Ostrogonac (D)
October 13th	7:45am	Paul Moreau
		Matthew De Leon
	9:30am	Henry Gomes (D)
		Bill Maciej (D)
	11:30am	Dennis Knight (D)
		Russ Makely (D)
	5:30pm	People of the Parish
October 14th	8:30am	Angelo Ellis (D)
		Ray & May Sharpe (D)
		Fred Castronuovo (D)
October 15th	8:30am	Ted Laitinen (D)
October 16th	8:30am	Sraneia Bongares (D)
October 17th	8:30am	Dominic Cairel (D)
October 18th	8:30am	Arnel De Leon
		Berenger Biamonte
October 19th	8:30am	Tracy Hass
	4:30pm	Mary Alice Fafone (D)
		Nick Ostrogonac (D)
October 20th	7:45am	
	9:30am	Cris Pelagio
	11:30am	
	5:30pm	People of the Parish

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	
Bill Anderson	Sheldon Anderson Jr	
Sharon Backus	Taryn Benson	
Marlena Beyer	Talon Bonanno	
Julie Bouse	Eduardo Bravo	
Pam Chappell	Pat Collier	
Lauri Comly	Joan Cotton	
Jo Ann Coughlin	Mary Crandall	
Madeleine Crepin	Noreen Davis	
Frank Donner III	Michael W. Donner	
Susan Drumm	Danielle Dulgerian	
Reggie Faulk	Dorothy Feldman	
Jim Fouret	Gary Green	
J.J. Hall	Stephany Hammer	
Tracy Hass	Bridgette Hubbard	
Martin Jennings	Michele Kinaan	
John Lehane	Zoe Mann	
Angelita Martinez	Rosemary Mealey	
Vicente Meno	Paul Moreau	
Allen D. Nelson	Glen Newton	
Ronnie Nichols	Patty Nicholson	
John Padden	Karen Paddock	
Waldi Paige	Eleanor Peterson	
Gladys Reilly	Madeline Rose	
Gerry Ryden	Donna Schulte	
Marilyn Scott	Tom Sekel	
Lee "Lucky" Shaver	Shari Sigl	
Barbara Smith	Janet Thompson	
Casey Wick	John Wick	
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Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Mary Jo Adams Nick Ostrogonac

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32 **Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9; Lk 11:42-46 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54 Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;Lk 10:1-9 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43;Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8; 2 Tm 3:14 -- 4:2;Lk 18:1-8

VOCATIONS CROSS

Sunday, October 13th at the 11:30am Mass, Robin Konvalin will take home the Vocations Cross to pray daily for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Religious Life.



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 Kraintz, Tyler Kraintz, 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.



Parish Announcements

DID YOU KNOW?

The Divine Savior Christmas Basket Program has been providing food and gifts to families in our community for over 25 years.



Applications are now available to RECEIVE a Christ mas 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 are now available beginning 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

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 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.

Do you want to help plan parish social events and activities for all ages?

The first of our four "Discovery sessions" based on the parish survey will focus on social ministries. Please join us on Sunday, November 3rd at 1pm in Hospitality as we share ideas and plan future Divine Savior events. Your input will make a

difference! All are welcome! For more information, contact Laini Harris at greeneyedhockeygal@yahoo.com.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

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

Come and Celebrate with the Knights



Our Divine Savior Knights of Columbus Father Neil Seidl Council 13672 is celebrating it's 15-year anniversary as a council. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a pancake breakfast after the

7:45, 9:30 and 11:30 masses on October 20th in hall A. The knights are hoping everyone will stop in, socialize and share some memories. If you're interested in becoming a knight, there will be plenty of knights with information to share. Hope to see you there.

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/

COLLECTION FOR FOSTER YOUTH NEXT WEEKEND—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.



Place items in the **Big Red Box** in the vestibule.

Soup (pop tops preferred) Crackers Peanut butter and jelly Canned fruits and vegetables (pop tops preferred) Macaroni and cheese Chili Tuna Top Ramen Pasta/rice/sauces Sugar/flour/salt Cereal Boxed food Canned/Boxed Juice

Paper products = TP, paper towels, facial tissue....Personal care products – deodorant, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, unopened sample-sized lotions and shampoo...

Drivers to transport the donations are urgently needed!

Please call Peggy at 916-988-5168 if you can help, or if you need more information.

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Year over Year Plate Collection Performance

	Week # 14	YTD thru Week # 14	Online giving
2019-2020 Year	\$ 16,177	\$ 233,170	\$ 585
2018-2019 Year	\$ 22,200	\$ 230,405	

SECOND COLLECTION

Next week we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer



and sacrifice. Every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the Missions grow. That is why the involvement and commitment of Catholics from around the world is so urgently needed. Mission dioceses—about 1,150 at this time receive regular annual assistance WORLD MISSION SUNDAY from funds collected. Please vis-

it The Pontifical Mission Societies for more information.

The 40 DAYS FOR LIFE Prayer vigil is underway!

September 25th—November 3rd **HELP SAVE LIVES IN SACRAMENTO!**

Here's how to take part in 40 days for life:

Vigil location: FPA Clinic

2322 Butano Drive, Sacramento

Vigil hours: 8 am to 6 pm., Mon - Fri

The Parish Respect Life Members have signed up for Monday's at the vigil, 1-2pm. Carpools are available. Parish contact: Sally Fong at santabarbarasally@yahoo.com.

For further details visit: 40daysforlife.com/sacramento

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 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.

Faith Formation News

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Divine Savior, you are the best! When we need help, you respond. Thank you for your yes!

We need leaders for Children's Liturgy of the Word. This wonderful ministry is ideally offered each Sunday at the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses. Can you help one or two Sundays a month? Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could also offer it during the 5:30pm Sunday evening Mass? Please call or email Elaine for further information 559-307-4216 or elaine@divinesavior.com

Catholics Returning Home An Open Door for Returning Catholics

No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church.

Please join us as we continue our informal sessions on Thursday, October 17th, 6:30 – 8:00pm. The sessions will include sharing, and updates on the Church today. Please contact Kathleen Hass at 916-989-7400 or kathleen@divinesavior.com for additional information.

ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC



If you are thinking of becoming Catholic, there are **RCIA** sessions, "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

Around the Neighborhood

STAY FOCUSED, STAY SAFE

The California Highway Patrol invites senior drivers to enroll in "Stay Focused, Stay Safe".

When: 9:00-11:00am, Tuesday, October 15, 2019 Where: CHP East Sacramento Area Office, 11336 Trade

Center Drive, Rancho Cordova

RSVP: https://eventbrite.com/e/chp-stay-focused-stay-safesenior-driver-class-tickets-74212580827