

Dear People of Divine Savior and our Cherished Visitors:

Acts of the Apostles: 6:1-7; Psalm 33:1-2,4-5, 18-19; 1Peter: 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

The first half of today's Gospel is often chosen by families for the funerals of their loved ones. And for good reason. The care Jesus expressed throughout the passage gives us reason to relax in the goodness of God as we continue to deal with the consequences of Covid-19. It seems only too easy to let our hearts be troubled for any number of reasons, including missing in the sharing in the Body and Blood of Jesus. We wish we could gather with one another, we wish researchers and scientists would hurry up and create a vaccine, that our retirement fund will be restored, and so many more real and practical concerns.

We do our best to renew our faith that God will be with us in all of us. We are reassured of God's care which we experience in a variety of ways through other people, especially those who serve in the medical fields, grocery stores, and medical facilities to name a few. Jesus asks us to renew our hope that one day all this will seem so different when we are blessed with what Jesus is preparing for us. If we have trouble accepting that God will provide and Jesus will be our way, life and truth, we are in good company with Thomas and Philip. However, these two seem to have a somewhat questionable reputation, when, in fact, they are ones to reassure us that we all come to know Jesus in different ways.

The message of Easter joy and peace comes to be more real in our lives as we continue to know Jesus ever more personally, relate with Him more intimately and follow His example more faithfully. The more this process deepens our relationship with Jesus, the more we will come to be grateful for our Creator God whose character Jesus makes known. Through Jesus our relationship with our Creator and the Holy Spirit is made more personal as well. This is highly important as we do our best to connect with and relate effectively with people who do not believe in Jesus.

Jesus is reminding us that when we experience Him, we experience the Father. Whom do people experience when they experience us? Again, we hear Jesus reminding us not to let our hearts be troubled but seek to improve in letting the Father be known in how we speak, what our attitude is and how we treat ourselves and one another. We open ourselves to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit as we share with one another how each of us grows in our ability to be more like Jesus in revealing the goodness and kindness of God.

This is especially important when we consider that we are empowered to do works greater than Jesus did. He told His first followers that He was going to the Father so that the Holy Spirit, who has been an integral part of our being since our conception, can guide us to accomplish these greater works. We have what it takes to create a critical mass that will insist on seeing the world as one village in which we all see to the needs of one another, especially those who have been deprived of a rightful share in the abundance that God's earth makes available to all.

~ Fr. Roman Mueller S.D.S.

Happy
Mother's Day!



Tune into our livestream Masses at 4:30pm Saturday and 9:00am Sunday as we celebrate the women of our parish!

A Prayer for all Women

Loving God, along with all the holy women in the Bible, please bless our mothers with health, peace and joy; please renew them and all women in your love.

May all women who bring forth and nurture life in any way or provide for the care of children be blessed with what they need to help build the community of justice, love, and peace that Jesus established.

We ask that you bless women who have wanted but were unable to have children; in a very special and gentle way, touch with profound healing the hearts of those mothers who have lost children in any way. May we, their daughters and sons, honor our mothers and all women always with a spirit of gratitude and respect!

This blessing and all graces, we pray, be with our mothers and all women always. Amen.

Financial Support of the Parish

I want to acknowledge and express profound gratitude for the steady stream of contributions by many parishioners to our parish. Much appreciation and abundant blessing to everyone helping in any small or big way. You can mail in donations, **drop in parish mail box** or those who want to switch to electronic giving, please go to our parish website **<https://www.divinesavior.com/giving>**. Please note that we have added a new option, **“text giving.”**

Please pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing.

Sheldon Anderson Jr.	Bill Amantea
Jenny Azbill	Sharon Backus
Marlena Beyer	Talon Bonanno
Julie Bouse	Eduardo Bravo
Pat Collier	Lauri Comly
Madeleine Crepin	Noreen Davis
Michael W. Donner	Carol Dziedzic
JoAnn Elder	Reggie Faulk
Dorothy Feldman	Gladys Gonsalves
Bud Green	Gary Green
Sandra Harris	Bridgette Hubbard
Martin Jennings	Michele Kinaan
Mike Mahoney	Vicente Meno
Allen D. Nelson	Glen Newton
Shirley Newton	Patty Nicholson
John Padden	Karen Paddock
Linda Parker	Eleanor Peterson
Gladys Reilly	Christopher Revak
Roxanne Rosales	Madeline Rose
Gerry Ryden	Donna Schulte
Tom Sekel	Maan Sevilla
Matilda Sevilla	Nene Sevilla
Vic Sevilla	Lee "Lucky" Shaver
Shari Sigl	John Wick
Stella Zipp	

*Please pray for the souls of those
who have died:*

Louise Healy **Vince McMahon**
Mario Marckwordt

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

**[Resources for Senior Citizens: &
families:](https://www.divinesavior.com/pastoral-care)**
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Prayers and Announcements

Week of May 11th—May 17th

Sunday Mass - Mass will be livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube at 4:30pm Saturdays and 9:00am Sundays. Recordings are available 2 hours after on our parish Facebook, website, and YouTube channel (Divine Savior Orangevale) <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUPTKQe3Rxis-k1MNsJL8rw>

Daily Mass will be livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube at 9:00am. **No morning Mass on Saturday.**

Chaplet of Divine Mercy—Livestreamed on Mondays—Thursdays at 3pm, join Fr. Marcel as he prays the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the very hour our Divine Savior died. **On Thursdays, Adoration will follow.**

Our Church and Parish Office will be closed until further notice, however staff will answer the phone Monday through Friday from 8:00am until 4:00pm. For **funerals, confession, or anointing of the sick**, please call the parish office.

The Tai Chi Chih class has resumed. Sue and Mary are leading the class on Zoom. The class opens at 9:45am every Wednesday and the practice begins at 10:00am. If you would like to join, send your e-mail address to Sue at idagene@yahoo.com. You will receive an invite on Tuesday.

MOVIE NIGHT!

Next Friday, May 15th at 7pm Join us for Family Movie Night! It will be on the church screens and livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube into your living room, backyard, roof, or wherever you and your electronic device may be!



ONLINE PRAYER REQUESTS!

"Divine Savior Book of Prayer" has a new online companion version! During this strange stay-at-home time, we would like to

increase the connection between us and focus on the power of parishioners united in prayer for one another. Our online prayer request page has a form to submit prayers, either confidentially or to post on the bottom of the page. Feel free to check this page daily and pray for all the intentions listed on the online prayer tree: <https://divinesavior.com/prayer-request>

PRAYER TREE MINISTRY! We are also seeking parishioners who would like to join this new home-based ministry. Please email Caroline@divinesavior.com for more information on becoming a member!

Annual Talent Show May 31st 7:00pm



We are proud to announce our annual talent show. The show will be live-hosted here at Divine Savior and will be streamed straight into your living room, yard, or

wherever you may be! **How do I participate in this amazing event?** Simply record your act on your phone or ipad and after you have finished recording (and editing if necessary), share it to divinesaviororangevale@gmail.com via iCloud, Dropbox, or Google Drive. **Please limit acts to 2.5 minutes!** If you aren't too sure about all this technology stuff (right?!), please go to the parish website, <https://www.divinesavior.com/annual-parish-talent-show> for details on how to submit your talent. If you have any questions email elaine@divinesavior.com or text her at (559) 307-4216.