Dear Divine Savior Parishioners,

We have some special Advent Faith Formation opportunities this year, check them out on our <u>website</u> or in the vestibule after all the Masses this weekend.

Don't forget to turn your clocks back Saturday night.

The drop off for the Afghan Refugee Welcome Kits is next weekend after all the Masses.

Fr. Roman's weekly prayer for our parishioners:

Dear God of Love:

As You are quite aware, our second reading for this weekend states that sin will be taken away by the sacrifice of Jesus. Our first reading and Gospel passages, again, as You well know, speak about two different widows who also made great sacrifices.

With all the distractions and attractions in our lives these days, we pray that Your Holy Spirit will guide us to understand the value and meaning of sacrifice in our lives. We ponder the words Jesus prayed in the garden the evening before His death: "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done." (Luke 22:42) Help us, O source of wisdom, to realize that Your will for Jesus was that He continue to reveal Your love for all people. We pray that we keep in mind that Your will was not that Jesus suffer; that came to be because of the free will of those who refused to accept Your love that He revealed.

We pray that we keep in mind that Jesus stood with those who suffered needless poverty because of corrupt systems of His day. He did not advocate that one give one's last coins to a temple tax that was meant to provide for widows as unfortunate as the one in this weekend's Gospel.

So, we pray that we connect with each other through Your Holy Spirit as we continue to do our best to find ways to see to the needs of those who, through no fault of their own, depend on our expressing thanks to You by our sharing with them. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayers for a blessed weekend,

Fr. Roman, Fr. Marcel and parish staff

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7-10; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Last weekend Jesus affirmed a scribe who had come to Him asking "which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus said to the scribe at the end of their conversation that he "was not far from the Kingdom of God." In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus' assessment of the scribes in general takes on a vastly different tone. He tells the people to beware of the scribes because of their showy display of themselves and their seeking attention in various ways. Perhaps the most critical statement is that Jesus accuses them of devouring the houses of widows. **FOR MORE, PLEASE CLICK HERE**

~Fr. Roman

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES...

Mass of Remembrance is this Saturday, November 6th at 1:00pm. All are welcome, as we give special tribute to those who have died over the past two years. To RSVP and for more information please email elaine@divinesavior.com.



EMAIL/TEXT SCAM:

We have received reports again of emails and texts being sent from a spammer impersonating Bishop Soto and pastors of the diocese. Carefully scrutinize the email addresses and phone numbers you receive emails and texts from. Please do not open any emails from Fr. Roman until you confirm their authenticity with the church office. Fr. Roman's only email account is frroman@divinesavior.com. Click here for more information.



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WELCOME KITS

For

AFGHAN REFUGEE FAMILIES



Join us in creating much needed Welcome Kits for the Afghan Refugees resettling in the Sacramento Area. **The Donation Drop-off is NEXT weekend November 13th and 14th (at all the Masses).** For more info, see our **REFUGEE ASSISTANCE** webpage.

OUTREACH and HOSPITALITY

Do you know of a senior member in our parish community who is lonely, struggling, or in need of some extra TLC or holiday cheer? Is there a senior you can think of who has not yet returned to Mass post-covid? If so, please consider sharing this info by emailing jenyearwood@divinesavior.com or calling the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION

ADVENT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES



Check out and signup for our Advent Adult Faith Formation Opportunities. <u>Click here</u> or visit the signup table in the vestibule THIS weekend after all the Masses. For more info email Jen Shaver <u>jennifer@divinesavior.com</u>

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Please join us this **Sunday, November 7th after the 11:30am Mass when we attend the Family Fellowship monthly event.** To



RSVP email <u>kathleen@divinesavior.com</u> or call Kathleen at 916-989-7400. For more information <u>click here</u>.

REFLECTIONS OF THE WORD

Join us on Mondays at 6pm in the Church for Reflections of the Word—this group is for lectors as well as all who are interested in sharing our faith as we share and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings. For more info please email elaine@divinesavior.com or call Elaine at 559-307-4216.

GOING DEEPER WITH FR. ROMAN

This weeks edition of "Going Deeper"

Jesus and the Widow





Weekly Words of Wisdom with Fr. Marcel from Luke 15: 1-10

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collection THIS Sunday for the Campus Development Fund.



The Parish office will be closed on

Veterans Day

Thursday November 11, 2021
Daily Mass will be at 9:00am

Results from the Response Cards from our Stewardship Weekend in October....

Thank you to those who completed the small paper response card or filled out the survey online—we received a total of 334 responses! This information is proving helpful as we determine the best way to communicate information and increase our outreach efforts. Here is a glance at what we learned:

- √ The bulletin continues to be a useful tool within our parish community!
- √ The Parish Website and Facebook are two additional ways that we can successfully share and gain information about on-going ministries and activities.
- √ Welcoming, Spirituality and Formation are among top priorities for parishioners when considering Divine Savior as a parish.

Thanks to Sue O'Donnell for her work in compiling the responses and creating the summary. <u>Click here</u> to see the full report.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIOR OUTREACH



BALANCE FOR LIFE

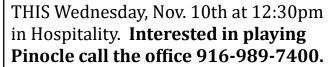
Will take a break during November & December and return in January. For more information contact Kathleen 916-989-7400.

TAI CHI CHIH—Beginners Always Welcome



The Tai Chi Chih class is back in the church on Wednesdays, at 9:45am. If you would like to join, contact Sue at idagene@yahoo.com.

GAMES and **GAB**





HAITI PROJECT RECYCLING

NEXT Sunday, November 14th, please bring your recyclables from 7:30 - Noon to the BACK PARKING LOT. Look for a red truck and orange cones.



Plastic water bottles Aluminum cans

Large plastic gallon containers – Arizona tea, almond milk, distilled water. Thank you!

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

We need, and welcome, new members in this ministry. We take communion to people unable to attend Mass for an extended period. This includes individual homes and assisted living communities. The time commitment is minimal. For more info, email Mary at mthmaryk@outlook.com.



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