



DIVINE SAVIOR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

A Diocesan Parish staffed by the Salvatorians

Dear Divine Savior Parishioners,

PLEASE NOTE: The Consecration of Russia and Ukraine to the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be pronounced by the Pope on the afternoon of Friday, March 25th in St. Peter's Basilica. The act of consecration will be performed in communion with the local Churches throughout the world.

Join Bishop Jaime Soto on March 25th at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, he will celebrate Mass at 12:10pm and will make the consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord at that time. Additional information is on our website www.divinesavior.com/pray4ukraine

The parish schedule for Holy Week and Easter is now on our website www.divinesavior.com

The Chosen reflections with Fr. Roman will be back in the church on Monday, March 28th at 7:00pm.

For those who are unable to attend Mass in person we continue to provide drive thru Communion after the 9:30am Sunday Mass in the back parking lot behind the gym.

Spring has sprung and the Giving Garden needs your garbage for their compost bin. There is a collection bin right next to the driveway in the back parking lot, just drive up and drop your food waste in the bin (not fats or pits).

Prayers for a blessed weekend,

Fr. Roman, Fr. Marcel and parish staff



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Masses:

Saturday Evening	4:30pm
Sunday	8:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am
Daily Monday-Friday	9:00am
Holy Days	9:00am & 6:30pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3-4pm or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick: Call (916) 989-7400 (any time)

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Parochial Vicar....Fr. Marcel Emeh, S.D.S.

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Mission Statement

We, the people of Divine Savior Catholic Church, empowered by our Baptism, dedicate ourselves to living the Gospel of Jesus. Inspired by the love, justice and mercy of Christ, we are called to share His message in service so that all may know the Savior.

Dear Loving Creator:

How wonderful it is to reflect on Your nature as it is portrayed in the Gospel for this weekend about the two brothers and their very shabby treatment of their father. Jesus did such an imaginative job in depicting You as He did.

All this goodness and love can arouse feelings of regret that so many of us experience because along the way we were taught very different images of You. Also, what many of us remember from our formative years is the overwhelming emphasis on sin.

As we continue our journey through the second half of Lent, we pray that we will allow the love that Jesus revealed in so many ways to take a deeper and more steady hold in our hearts, lives and relationships. Of course, we know that we sin. And we realize that the most serious sin is rejecting Your love, or even questioning whether what Jesus revealed is reality. Please help us to let You have complete freedom in renewing us in Your love. Through Christ our Lord.

~Fr. Roman

PASTOR'S CORNER

March 27, 2022

Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12; Ps. 34:2-7, 9a; 2 Cor. 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-21

Our second reading sets the tone for this Sunday. "New things have come. And all this is from God." Our first reading reminds us of how God provided for the people as they journeyed after God freed them from slavery in Egypt. They grumbled about the manna God had provided, but now that they had gotten to Jericho, they celebrated the Passover. The day after, they ate of the produce of the land. Can we presume that their grumbling stopped?

It is like the behavior of the two sons in today's Gospel. When the younger son returned after squandering his inheritance, his father, after catching sight of him ran to him, embraced him, and kissed him. Did the son have any idea of the depth of love his father was displaying? Our second reading reminds us that our fulfillment in life comes in great part as we, like Jesus, do our best to be instruments of reconciliation. The father was truly portraying how God does not count trespasses against anyone. Despite his father's revealing this image of God, the son stuck to his silly script and spewed out that he no longer deserved to be called his son.

The question remains whether this son finally accepted God as his father had revealed him by his actions. The reason for posing this thought is because some of us have difficulty letting God be God, letting God do something new for us. The behavior of the older son raises a similar question. He, too, had set up his own rules for the game of life with his father. He missed all along the nature of his father was one who considered everything of his belonging to the son. Despite the father not responding to the angry son in kind, did the older son finally allow the goodness of God as revealed by his father to soften him, cause him to be grateful for the blessings of God, and accept that his brother was indeed his brother? Did he enter the party, welcome his brother back home, and thank his father for revealing that God's sole interest is to love us, despite our behavior, disposition, and attitude?

These are such rich and blessed readings to reflect on as we mark the halfway point of our Lenten journey. The Latin word for this Sunday, Laetare, reminds us that this is a time to rejoice. How can we not? Allowing God to love us based on God's nature of being a loving God, are we in a place to answer the question in an unqualified affirmative as to whether we are loved despite whatever we have or have not done in our lives?

Given the outrageous treatment of the sons toward their father and the father's revealing as Jesus did the all-forgiving love of God, how can we put any credence in the idea that God inflicted us with original sin because two people ate an apple?

~Fr. Roman

Schedule for the week of March 28th—April 2nd

Monday-March 28th

6:00pm	Reflections	St. Cecilia Rm.
7:00pm	The Chosen	Church

Tuesday—March 29th

9:30am	Going Deeper	Church
6:00pm	Bridges LGBTQ Ministry	

Wednesday-March 30th

9:45am	Tai Chi Chih	Vestibule
10:30am	Rosary Group	Church
12:30pm	Games & Gab	Hospitality

Friday-April 1st

8:00am	Men's Prayer Group	M 4
9:30am	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:30pm	Stations & Soup	Church/Hall B

Saturday-April 2nd

8:30am	Ecumenical Prayer Service	Church
9:15am	Walk for Unity	Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RCIA SEEKERS

This Sunday, March 27th during the 11:30am Mass our RCIA Candidates will celebrate the second of three scrutinies prior to celebrating Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 16th. The third scrutiny is on April 2nd during the 4:30pm Mass.

Brianda Marquez Angulo	Roxanne Ellis
Lucille Ayala	Jaren Esquivel
Tyler Ayala	Mark Hintze
Lucas Carrasco	Cody Riddle
Rosemary Ellis	Patsy VanCleve
Kaylee Decker Nyman	

FAITH FORMATION

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Were you raised Catholic but do not come or seldom come to church anymore?

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.

Contact Kathleen at katleen@divinesavior.com or 916-989-7400 for additional information.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND COLLECTION

THIS weekend we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to reveal Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in need. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief. Envelopes are available in the vestibule.

MANY THANKS TO...

...the wonderful parishioner who replaced all the bumpers on our church benches, which minimizes the noise their movement can create.

...the Knights of Columbus who did the great service of cooking the pancakes and sausages for our Mardi Gras several weeks ago, along with PPC members who helped with the event.

...Sue O'Donnell and our Parish Pastoral Council for providing an enjoyable celebration in honor of St. Patrick. We thank members of our music ministry as well, who regaled us with Irish songs.

UPDATE ON CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Recently almost every tree on our parish property was trimmed. Now they are all ready to let new growth come to be. The cost of this project was a bit over \$10,000. At present, all sections of flat roof on the Multipurpose Building are being replaced. This new roof is guaranteed to last many more years than the one it replaces. Depending on the fluctuation of costs for all the material to do this job, the approximate cost is \$95,000.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

All are invited to in-person or livestream Eucharistic Adoration following daily Mass **on Friday, April 1st**. Adoration begins after Mass and continues until 10am.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WALK FOR UNITY

Annual walk for unity Saturday, April 2 at 9:15am. We will have an ecumenical prayer service before the walk, at 8:30am. To participate in the walk, or to help email Elaine at elaine@divinesavior.com or Lisa Smith at lsmft1023@gmail.com. Options are to attend the prayer service only, stay to pray in the church, meet the walkers partway and help with pre-wrapped packaged snacks.

PARISH WORKDAY—Church Clean-Up

Sunday, April 3rd | 1:00pm

During this Lenten season of "making all things new", let us include our Church home in our efforts. Please join us in cleaning and preparing our Church for Holy Week and Easter. Bring brooms, dustpans, vacuums, and squeegees. What a wonderful opportunity to beautify our sacred space!

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to let us know you can help or call the office 916-989-7400. Many hands make light work!



SAVE THE DATE:

Fr. Roman's Open House Retirement Celebration

Date: Saturday, June 4th

Time: 1:00—3:00pm parish hall, details to follow.

PALMS NEEDED

As our Lenten journey nears its end and the Passion begins, palms are needed to welcome our Lord. Donations can be left outside the back doors of the church Friday April 8th or brought **Saturday April 9th at 9:00am**, with sincere appreciation from the environment committee.



Please join us during Lent for Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm in the Church with a soup supper to follow in the Hall.

March 25th: Social Justice Perspective

April 1st: Children's Perspective

April 8th: Reconciliation Service—NO Stations or Soup

April 15th: Jesus' Perspective (Outdoor Stations)

As an added *positive* action, **BYOD (Bring Your Own Dishes and non-disposable utensils, cups and cloth napkins!)** to Stations and Soup. In doing so, you serve as protectors of God's gift to us – the Earth – by reducing the mounds of paper and plastic that pollute our oceans and earth.



AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

DINNER, DESSERT LIVE AUCTION

Fundraiser at Redeemer Covenant to support their Tuesday Night Dinner Program on Saturday, April 2nd at 6:00pm. Tickets: Adults \$15./Children \$5. for info/reservations email jerbec@surewest.net

PRAYERS OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 26th	4:30pm	Roberta Costa (D)
Mar 27th	8:00am	Linda Ignatowicz
	9:30am	People of the Parish
	11:30am	Willaim Jenson (D)
		Catalina Montenegro (D)
Mar 28th	9:00am	John Marquez (D)
Mar 29th	9:00am	
Mar 30th	9:00am	
Mar 31st	9:00am	Tom Higgins (D)
Apr 1st	9:00am	David Ericksen (D)
Apr 2nd	4:30pm	Francis Arce
		Jocelyn Yap (D)
Apr 3rd	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	James Caffrey (D)
		Norma Jennings (D)
	11:30am	Don Bryan (D)
		Marina Samonte (D)

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

Dan & Mary Alves	Candie Maisano
Sheldon Anderson Jr.	Steve Mann
Robert Beviacqua	Vince Meno
Nancy Bingham	Carolina Miller
Julie Bouse	Mauri Murillo
Eduardo Bravo	Glen & Shirley Newton
Bridget Byrne	Karen Paddock
Patrick Carter	Linda Parker
Elizabeth Davis	Alex Quiroz
Noreen Davis	Gladys Reilly
James DeVous	Dan Rieman
Ryan Eyman	Roxanne Rosales
Reggie Faulk	Bob Rose
Dorothy Feldman	Madeline Rose
Kristie Greiss	Gerry Ryden
Richard Hale	Donna Schulte
Sandra Harris	Mary Scott
John Herzog	Tom Sekel
Bridgette Hubbard	Shari Sigl
Mark Kolar	Roberta Sly
Christina Korepanow	Fr. Joe Ternullo
Katie Larkins	Pete Torres, Jr.
Diane Lyons	Vargas Family
Jeff McAlpine	Dorothy Wilhite

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND



Please consider joining our ministry. We take communion to people unable to attend Mass for an extended period. Personal coaching provided. If you are interested in more information, please email Mary at mtthmaryk@outlook.com.

Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Linda McAlpine

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

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, 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, Trevor Engle, Katharine Ernst, Tom Feyoe, Mathew Fox, Timothy Fox, Kyle Garcia, Tyler Gedstad, Michael Haug, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hocker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Isla, William Krintz, Tyler Krintz, Andy Kuehn, Dayne Landry, Charles Philip Lopez, Kelly Mancini, Doran Martin, John Masterson, Bennet D. McGrane, Garrett McMann, Aaron McMurray, Joseph M. Paddock, Nathan Paddock, Joshua Paige, 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, A.J. Smith, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Thatche, Jadyne Trujillo, Aimee Vigil, Noah Villarreal, David Wentling, Kyle William, Davis Wood, Brian Wright and Alexander Wrinkle. If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary at 916-988-4984 to have them removed.