



DIVINE SAVIOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear Divine Savior Parishioners,

Stations of the Cross and Soup begin THIS Friday, February 16th at 6:30pm.

End of the Year Tax Statements have been emailed. If you did not receive your statement please make sure and check your spam and junk folders.

Parish Pasta Feed Fundraiser is looking for donations for the Raffle and Silent Auction. See bulletin for details.

For those unable to attend Mass in person, we continue to livestream our 9am Daily Mass and the 4:30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday evening, with drive-Thru Communion after the 9:30am Sunday Mass in the back parking lot.

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

To foster a spirit of repentance and unite ourselves more closely to Christ, Church law requires the observance of Abstinence and Fasting (CIC - Code of Canon Law, 1249-1253) during Lent.

1. Abstinence: All persons, 14 years and older, are obliged to **abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.** When considering your meals, keep in mind that only fish and shellfish are not considered meat. Beef, pork, chicken and turkey are meat.

2. Fasting: Everyone from ages 18 to 59 is obliged to **fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.** Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent, especially on Wednesdays and Fridays, is highly recommended. Fasting is generally understood to mean that one full meal may be eaten. Two other small meals may be eaten, but together they should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, neither the law of fasting nor the law of abstinence obliges. If in doubt, one's parish priest or confessor should be consulted. Airport workers, travelers, and others while on board ships or airplanes are dispensed from the laws of fast and abstinence for the duration of their journey (except on Good Friday). It is desirable that they perform some other pious act instead.

Prayers for a blessed weekend,

Fr. Octavio, Fr. Patric and Parish Staff



DIVINE SAVIOR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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.*

Schedule of Masses:

Saturday Evening	4:30pm
Sunday	8:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am
Sunday Afternoon	2:00pm (Spanish)
Daily Monday-Friday	9:00am
Holy Days	9:00am & 6:30pm

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:00-4:00pm &
every Friday 9:30-10:30am or by
appointment through the parish office.

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

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St. Vincent de Paul.....916-743-0196



Online Giving

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2024

**Help us bring Christ's saving mercy to our brothers and sisters
through the Annual Catholic Appeal**

NEXT weekend February 24th/25th, we will have the opportunity to offer ourselves as companions to those who suffer emotional, physical and spiritual poverty. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Each year our parish supports the outreach efforts of ministries such as our Community Meal, St. Vincent de Paul, FO-OV HART, Laundry Love, Winter Sanctuary and other social justice projects as they arise! Please prayerfully consider what you can give this year through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Twenty-five percent comes back to our parish for our own outreach to those in need. Envelopes available in the vestibule this weekend



DONATE ONLINE



February 18, 2024

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr. Octavio Trejo-Flores, S.D.S.

Mark 1:12-15 | The Temptation of Jesus

We read in today's Gospel that Jesus is driven by the Spirit into the desert, and He is "tempted by Satan." After that, Jesus is back in the Galilee region preaching the kingdom of God.

However, let us go back a few verses. Mark tells us that Jesus came up from the waters of baptism in the Jordan River. And the Holy Spirit descended upon Him and a voice from heaven proclaimed: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The gift of the Holy Spirit is not something that we are to simply hold on to and feel good about. Rather, the gift of the Holy Spirit is to empower us as disciples of our Divine Savior. It is a gift that is to move us out of our comfort zone. And as we read in the scripture, Jesus is driven into the desert by the Spirit.

Note that Mark does not suggest that Jesus did not choose to go to the desert, nor did He choose to be tempted. That is, being driven by the Spirit and being tempted by the devil were given to Him because there had to be room for free will, for a personal response once He found Himself there, but He did not choose this wilderness.

And so, what might this say to us as we begin our journey into this Lenten season? We have to understand that we did not create our own desert. We do not start a tough fight to impose all kinds of difficulties on ourselves to test our faith in God. Rather, we look around to see where the Holy Spirit has led us and where He is leading us, and most likely we will find that it is a wild enough place with enough voices of temptation without creating more.

Just as Jesus' wilderness experience was a testing of His baptismal call and identity, it could be that most of our Christian life is a testing and a living out of our baptismal call. Just as when the ashes are imposed, we are called to remember our mortality: "remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." The whole season of Lent is a call to remember that it is in God alone that we must find our identity. Amen.

**SCHEDULE for the WEEK of
February 19th – 23rd**

Monday - February 19th

All Day Office closed, Presidents Day

9:00am Daily Mass Church

Tuesday—February 20th

9:40am Centering Prayer St. Cecilia rm.

Wednesday - February 21st

9:45am Tai Chi Chih Gym Lobby

12:30pm Games & Gab (Bingo) Hospitality

Thursday - February 22nd

9:45am Rosary Group St. Cecilia rm.

6:00pm Community Meal Halls

Friday - February 23rd

8:00am Men's Prayer Group M 4

9:40am Adoration & Benediction Church

2:00pm Returning Catholics Sm conf rm

6:30pm Stations & Soup Church

**The church office is closed Mon - Fri
from 12:30 - 1pm for lunch**

Beloved parishioner, **Tom Sekel**, has gone to rest in the arms of our Divine Savior.



Parishioners are invited to attend the Funeral Mass on Saturday, February 24th at 1:00pm. The love and prayers of the entire parish are with Tom's family.

**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.**

February 16th: Our Lady of Guadalupe Society, A Marian Way of the Cross

February 23rd: Social Justice themed Stations of the Cross

March 1st: "Light Night" Everyday & Personal Way of the Cross

March 8th: St. Joseph Stations of the Cross

March 15th: Parish Reconciliation Service,—No Stations or Soup

March 22nd - Diocesan Revival Event (Eucharistic Adoration with Soup to follow)

March 29th - Good Friday Stations, No Soup

As an added *positive* action, **BYOD (Bring Your Own Dishes! And non-disposable utensils, cups and cloth napkins!)** to Stations and Soup.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAIR TRADE COFFEE and CHOCOLATE

THIS weekend, February 17th/18th, Fair Trade coffee and chocolate will be available for sale in the vestibule after Mass.

Questions, or to volunteer once a month after Mass selling coffee please contact Lisa & Bill Smith at lsmft1023@gmail.com



The office will be

closed on

Presidents' Day

Monday, February 19, 2024

CENTERING PRAYER

The Divine Savior Centering Prayer group is meeting on **Tuesday, February 20th** after morning Mass in the St. Cecilia room. If you have questions or would like to participate in this form of prayer, contact Joyce at joycean@sbcglobal.net or 916-990-0546.



LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKLETS and

a Schedule of Lenten Activities are available in the vestibule this weekend.

Fast and Abstinence information is available on the diocese website <https://www.scd.org/>

THANK YOU to our Parish Pastoral Council & Knights of Columbus for hosting a wonderful Mardi Gras celebration this past Tuesday!

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

An Open Door for Returning Catholics

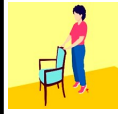
Please join us on Fridays, at 2pm in the church office. The sessions will include sharing, and updates on the Church today. For additional info, contact Kathleen at 916-989-7400 or email kathleen@divinesavior.com



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIOR OUTREACH

TAI CHI CHIH—Beginners Always Welcome



The Tai Chi Chih class is in the Gym Lobby on Wednesdays at 9:45am. For more info contact Sue at idadene@yahoo.com.

GAMES and GAB

Wednesdays from 12:30-2:30pm in

Hospitality. For more information, 989-7400 or email kathleen@divinesavior.com



Parish FUNDRAISER

SAVE the DATE for our Pasta Feed on March 16, 2024

Tickets are available in the vestibule after all the Sunday Masses and in the office during the week.

We are looking for donations to be used in our Raffle and Silent Auction!

Do you have a NEW Christmas or Birthday gift you might consider gifting?

Own a timeshare or vacation house?

Willing to donate a gift card or gift certificate for a particular service?

Are you a Season ticket holder who might be willing to offer tickets to a game?

We are inviting all parishioners (and your friends, family & neighbors) to consider donating to this important parish fundraiser. Please email Marcus Arnold at mtcomponents1@gmail.com or call the parish office 916-989-7400. Looking for all donations to be in by March 3rd at the latest!

THINKING of BECOMING CATHOLIC

Do you have questions regarding Catholicism and what it takes to become a Catholic? If so, join us in a warm and accepting environment as we answer your questions.

For more information or to join in a session contact jennifer@divinesavior.com.



AROUND THE DIOCESE

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS—MARCH 9th | 2-6pm

Three simultaneous events in Sacramento to celebrate the Eucharistic Revival: at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Sacramento (Spanish Adults), at St. Francis Parish, Sacramento (English Adults) and at Immaculate Conception Parish, Sacramento (Youth). There will be a procession to the Cathedral and Mass to follow. More information available at <https://www.scd.org/celebrate>

PRAYERS OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS

Feb. 17th	4:30pm	Maria Di Bona (D)
Feb. 18th	8:00am	Larry & Kelley Culler
	9:30am	David Carey (D)
		Perlito Baclay (D)
	11:30am	Michael Whysall (D)
		John Timothy Pinto (D)
	2:00pm	People of the Parish
Feb. 19th	9:00am	Leorico Oquendo, Sr. (D)
		Lolieta Oquendo (D)
Feb. 20th	9:00am	Hank & Gladys Gonsalves
Feb. 21st	9:00am	Aurora Laurente (D)
Feb. 22nd	9:00am	Ramona (Mommy" Barrios (D)
		Pete Torres, Jr.
Feb. 23rd	9:00am	Jerry & Darlene Skou
		Jeanne Goochey
Feb. 24th	4:30pm	William Emmett Devine (D)
		Teresita Olmo (D)
Feb. 25th	8:00am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	John Bowling (D)
	11:30am	Gladys Gonsalves
	2:00pm	Melany Juarez

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

Sheldon Anderson Jr.	Amaure Juarez
Rosana Anthony	Eva Kelley
Ligay Apalit	Ken Kinyon
Emily Arno	Jackie Labate
Robert Beviacqua	Dee Larson
Dexter Bezayiff	Summer Lemmon
Darlene Burger	Georgia Leonard
Julie Bouse	Monique Lopez
Eduardo Bravo	Jeff McAlpine
Maryanne Burriesce	Mary McCormick
Carol Caateaaone	Linda McKay
Loida Cabana	Candie & George Maisano
Stephanie Capodanno	Betty Marmon
Patrick Carter	Vince Meno
Anai Cruz	Glen Mueller
Larry Culler	Jeff O'Connor
Anja Dangelmaier	Bob & Winifred Neill
Ella David	Gerrie & Paul Parker
Elizabeth Davis	Linda Parker
Noreen Davis	Madeline Parr
Tisha Donahue	Gladys Reilly
Dorothy Feldman	Jamie Reynolds
Richard Forsyth	Roxanne Rosales
Mary Frontiera	Gerry Ryden
Gladys Gonsalves	Donna Schulte
Max Haban	Veronica Schwalbach
Bill Hadwen	Shari Sigl
Sandra Harris	Sue Poppen
Joe Hellen	Pete Torres, Jr.
John Herzog	Marilyn Ulbricht
Bernie Hetzler	Karen Vincent

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

Tom Sekel* John Yelchak

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

**Funeral Mass Saturday, February 24th at 1:00pm*

