Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our Cherished Visitors:

Today’s Gospel begins with the words “as Jesus was setting out on a journey.” As we move closer to the end of this liturgical year which we celebrate on the last Sunday of November, we also move closer to the time when Jesus arrives in Jerusalem where He will be tortured physically and put to death. In the meantime, we reflect on Jesus’ teaching on a variety of topics. In today’s Gospel, a rich man seems to try to butter up Jesus by calling him a good teacher. Jesus reminds the man that His mission is to point to God as He states that only God alone is good. This does not mean that Jesus is not good; Jesus will direct any complement He is given to the Father, just as we are called to be aware of the blessings we enjoy and give God thanks and praise for those blessings. Jesus draws attention to this spiritual principle and practice after the next exchanges between Himself and the rich man. In answer to the man’s question as to what he must do to inherit eternal life, Jesus quotes him six commandments that have to do with social interactions. The man provides Jesus a very wide opening as he says he has observed these commandments since he was a youth. As Jesus does throughout His ministry, He expands on the literal view of the commandments. Jesus looks at the man with love and goes away sad. We wonder if he ever decided to do what Jesus asked, so those with a surplus were expected to share it with Jesus, people were convinced that what existed is all there was, and so with a surplus we were expected to share it with those who did not have enough. Just as our Gospel records how the disciples were amazed at Jesus’ words, so today we have a situation where many people are starving to death or are food deprived despite the fact that we have more than enough food to satisfy every person on this earth. Add to this the enormous gap in what people are paid or the financial holdings a small percentage of the people claim as their own. It is very important to take in the message of our first reading.

How different our world could be if a majority (a critical mass) chose to be attentive to the wisdom that is ours through the Holy Spirit. How can we allow our faith community here at Divine Savior to be transformed so that we are an example to others of taking care of the needy in our midst as well as beyond our typical borders? We already have several excellent ministries that respond to these needs, as well as special collections that allow us to make a difference across our country and world. What else might the Holy Spirit be asking of us?

~Fr. Roman

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Parish Announcements

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Meghan Mikita  Rovida Mott
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Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 13th
4:30pm  RitaCroft (D)
5:00pm  Judy Smoot (D)

Saturday, October 12th
8:30am  Virginia Flaherty (D)
9:30am  Stasia Reves (D)
10:30am  John Rhee (D)
11:30am  Devin Flaherty (D)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 – 51; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4; 6; Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
Friday: Eph 1:1-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;

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Vocations Cross

Sunday, October 14th at the 9:30am Mass, Marcý & Tom Eyman will take home the Vocations Cross to pray daily for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Religious Life.

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Prayers 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 Basiott, Anthony Brooks, Jonathan Brooks, Jacob Cararillo, Aimee Chabot, Ephrem Choi, Elise Cruz, Matt David, Derek Deadhanger, David DeLaCruz, Alisen Dowell, Joe Downey, Andrew Durham, Brian Eberhard, Katharine Ernst, Tom Feyoe, Matthew Fox, Timothy Fox, Joseph Gast, Tyler Gedstad, Eric Hattles, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hocker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Ila, George Johnson, Tyler Kenobre, Nicholas Koellen, William Kraintz, Tyler Krainitz, Andy Kuehn, Dayna Landry, Kelly Mancini, Doran Martin, John Masterson, Bennett D. McGrane, Garrett McIlveen, Aaron McMurray, Frances Montijo, Joseph M. Padlock, Nathan Padlock, Dorin Pillman, Tim Pillman, Rachael Portonon, Logan Rasmussen, Trey Rasmussen, Tim Reid, Neal Ridge, Tony Rodriguez, Nicholas Roha, Ryan Roux, Matthew Saloando, April Skous, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Taithe, Jadyne Trujillo, Aimee Vigil, Noah Villarreal, Danny Walsh, David Wontling, Kyle William and Brian Wright. If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary to have them removed. If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary to have them removed.

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Year over Year Plate Collection Performance
Week # 14   YTD thru Wk #14
2018-2019 Year $ 17,208  $242,863
2017-2018 Year $ 15,255  $229,560
$ Difference            $1,953
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Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to “Chat With The Pope” to learn more about his missions. Scan this year’s World Mission Sunday poster using Facebook Messenger for your mobile device, or learn more at ChatWithThePope.org.

Father Robert Barros’
EUCHARIST
Sacred Meal, Sacrifice, Real Presence

We know that Christ is alive and fully present in the Eucharist. Join us as Fr. Roman’s Going Deeper series continues with his facilitation of this final session in the Eucharist series where we go deeper into the “source and summit” of our Faith (with the help of Fr. Robert Barron’s DVD-based program Sacraments: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice and Real Presence.) The last session will be held October 16 with the same content at 9:30am or 6:00pm, for your convenience.

All sessions will be in the church. It is STRONGLY urged for all Eucharistic Ministers, those serving at Mass or outside of Mass… and actually, for any Catholic who celebrates the Eucharistic Feast with us, or would like to just learn more.

For more information, call or text Elaine at 550-307-4216, or email elainecd@divinesavior.com, or stop by the parish office. Registration not required, but all Eucharistic Ministers are encouraged to register with Elaine via email, so formation can be noted in MSP.

Do you know the people who sit near you at Mass? Has someone been missing in action for a while? Are you thinking of becoming Catholic and have questions?

If you know someone from our parish who would benefit from a phone call or pastoral visit, please let the office know as soon as you have the information. We just need their name and a way to get in touch with them. It is so important that we take care of one another. It is down and out due to an illness, an injury, or the death of a loved one. Please tell anyone you know who could benefit from this service about Manna. Encourage them to call or offer to call for them. For more information, a meal request, or to volunteer, please call Denise Verbeck at 967-5110 or the parish office at 989-7400.

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic and have questions? If you are thinking of becoming Catholic, there are RCIA sessions, called “Inquiry.” In a warm and accepting environment, you are welcome to share your questions. If you are interested, please contact sharond@divinesavior.com or call the parish office for more information.

Catholics Returning Home
Were you raised Catholic but do not come or seldom come? Are you a Catholic who now feels separated from the Church? Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church as it is today?

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

There will be NO Recycle Weekend in October, due to Trunk or Treat for the children. The Tuesday morning recycling collection, however will continue, 8-9am every Tuesday near the East door of the church, in the side parking area.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary
Who asks us to pray the Rosary? Our Blessed Mother has appeared to people over and over again, more often since 2000, asking the world to pray the Rosary DAILY.

When we seek to approach Jesus through His mother, Jesus will always listen. Mary told us she is our mother, too, and wants us to know and love her Son.

Rosary Groups
There is great power in group prayer, and several ways to pray the Rosary with a group at Divine Savior. If you are new to the Rosary, we will help you. Join us to pray the rosary at church.

Group Rosary Times: After 7:45am Sunday Mass at 8:45am by Mary’s statue 7:00pm Thursday evenings, St. Cecilia room Daily after morning Mass.

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Catholic Charities of California is excited to be hosting walking pilgrimages in Spain along the Camino de Santiago and in Italy along the Via Francigena, as well as non-walking pilgrimages visiting early Christian monastic sites in Ireland and colonial Catholic churches in Cuba! These pilgrimages will change your life and support the work of Catholic Charities of California. Please join us for an Informational meeting on December 1st held at Holy Spirit Church, 3159 Land Park Drive, Sacramento, 95818 at 10:00 am, or Our Lady of Assumption Parish, 2057 Cottage Way, Carmichael, 95608 at 2:00pm.

To RSVP for the meeting or for more information regarding the pilgrimages, please go to our website at www.Catholic-Pilgrimage.com, contact CCC at pilgrim@catholiccharitiesca.org, or call (916) 706-1539.

Around the Diocese
JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
Sunday October 21st 12pm-3pm
1200 Jacob Lane Carmichael, CA 95608
 Student Tours
 Meet with faculty, coaches, students and clubs
 College Counseling
 Academic Support
 Tuition Assistance

Jesuit High School of Sacramento is a Roman Catholic college preparatory dedicated to forming competent young men into conscientious leaders in compassionate service to others for the greater glory of God. EXPLOREJESUIT.COM

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Prayer Shawl Ministry
If you have the talent to knit or crochet, please consider joining our prayer shawl ministry. We meet twice a month (1st and 3rd Thursdays, 1-3pm) in the library. Please contact Nancy Begley at 916-706-5704 or the parish office at 989-7400 for more information.

Manna, Food from Heaven!
Manna Ministries is a pastoral care outreach that was begun by 11 women when the parish was founded in 1987. Some of the foundresses are still preparing loving meals. Manna provides temporary, supplemental meals, when there is no one in the home, or when someone is down and out due to an illness, an injury, or the death of a loved one. Please tell anyone you know who could benefit from this service about Manna. Encourage them to call or offer to call for them. For more information, a meal request, or to volunteer, please call Denise Verbeck at 967-5110 or the parish office at 989-7400.

Manna Ministries provides fresh meats, chicken and turkey, vegetables, rice and pasta, dessert, all in single serve, easy to prepare meals! This week’s meals are: Grilled chicken breast, black beans, rice, and vegetable sauce. We take communion to residents in 7 facilities and to those who can’t get to church. Manna for an extended period and who request commun- ion through the parish office. Email me if you want to come so enough materials will be available.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND
Catholic Charities Homebound Ministry
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Ministry Happenings
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In addition to praying for their souls, all parishioners are also invited to place photos of their departed family members on the table, write their names in the Book of the Dead, leave a message on one of the fabric prayer stripes, come to church more often. May God bless the souls of all who are in the West of the Church.

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Seekers at the Well – D.S. Parish Retreat
November 10th, 9:00am-Noon & Lunch
Come and be refreshed at the well of God’s abun-
dance! Those who have attended retreats guided by Christine Jurisich would agree that you will always
be noted in MSP.