Pastor’s Corner

September 16, 2018

Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our Cherished Visitors:

One of the theology courses I took in college was taught by one of our priests who was not in the least affected by the recently ended Vatican Council II. He insisted that Jesus knew everything from His birth. When asked why Jesus asks His disciples about His identity, the priest’s answer was that Jesus was simply testing whether the disciples had learned anything from and about Jesus.

Today we realize and accept that as a human being like us, Jesus grew in awareness of who He was throughout the years of His life. Jesus lived in a culture that was very group-oriented, so it was quite logical that Jesus would ask what others are saying about Him. The answers gave Jesus valuable information about the effect He was having. When the disciples answered, the general public saw Him as one of the prophets. Thus, Jesus had felt quite comfortable by their understanding of His mission, because He was indeed a prophet who listened to the Father and shared with others what He experienced from that intimate relationship.

Jesus drew heavily from the Old Testament prophet, Isaiah, whose writing our first reading is taken from. Isaiah portrays a servant of God who chooses to be non-violent despite the violence done to him. Jesus was no doubt comforted by reflecting on how this servant could rely on the Lord God for help. Experiencing God as near to Him, Jesus could in turn be the one through whom the people experienced the closeness of God.

Peter affirms Jesus as He refers to Him as the Christ. What Peter was expressing was that he recognized that Jesus was anointed by the Father to reveal to the people the unbound love God has for all people. The reason Jesus warned them not to tell anybody about Him is that He realized that people, including Peter, would or could not accept the consequences that Jesus would suffer because of His revealing the love of God for all people.

Given His familiarity of the prophet Isaiah as well as today’s Psalm, Jesus had a rather clear idea of what awaited Him, because He was indeed a prophet and the Old Testament prophets, Jesus must have felt quite comforted by their understanding of His mission, because He was indeed a prophet who listened to the Father and shared with others what He experienced from that intimate relationship.

Pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing. (Names will appear for 3 weeks.)

- Fr. Roman

Parish Announcements

September 16th - 22nd

Monday-September 17th

6:30pm   Fingerprinting Y-1

Tuesday-September 18th

9:30am    Centering Prayer St. Cecilia

7:00pm    Lux Y-2

Thursday-September 20th

10:00am   Alzheimer Presentation Hall A

1:00pm    Prayer Shawl Ministry Library

6:00pm    Community Meal Hall A

bulletin Announcements

Please submit bulletin announcements to the Parish Office or email them to kathleen@divinesavior.com by noon on Wednesdays.

Prayers of the Week

Please pray for those of those who have died:

- Dominic Caire

- Lettie Duskus

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesdays: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesdays: 1 Cor 12:13-21; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
Thursdays: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17; Lk 7:36-50
Fridays: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
Saturdays: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10-14; Lk 8:4-15
Sundays: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 - 4:3; Mk 9:30-37

Military Prayer List

If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary at 916-988-4984 to have them removed.

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 Cho, Elise Cruz, Matt David, Derek Dearthage, David DeLaCruz, Alisen Dowell, Joe Downey, Andrew Durham, Brian Eberhard, Katharine Ermit, Tom Faysse, Mathew Fox, Tim Grandis, Joseph Gast, Tyler Godstad, Erek Hartsell, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hocker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Isla, George Johnson, Tyler Kenobbie, Nicholas Koelfgen, William Kraintz, Tyler Kraintz, Andy Kuehn, Dayna Landry, Kelly Mancini, Duran Martin, John Masterson, Bennett D. McGrane, Garrett McMann, Aaron McMurray, Francis Montojo, Joseph M. Paddock, Nathan Paddock, Chris Payant, David Petisor, Darin Pilman, Tim Pilman, Rachel Portions, Logan Rasmussen, Trey Rasmussen, Tim Reid, Neal Ridge, Tony Rodriguez, Nicholas Roa, Ryan Roex, Matthew Sandovol, April Slott, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Thatche, Judy Thatche, Aimee Vigil, Noah Villereal, Danny Walsh, David Wentling, Kyle William and Brian Wright. Please contact Mary, 988-4984 to add or remove names as space is limited.

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

Rosary Groups

You are invited to 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.

T’ai Chi Chih

Join us every Wednesday morning at 9:15am, following the 8:30am Mass. The sessions are held in the Vestibule. All are welcome. T’ai Chi Chih is a moving meditation that relieves stress, increases balance and brings harmony to your life.

- Fr. Roman

Mass Intentions

September 15th   4:30pm  Tom Tomich (D)  Mary Yeggy (D)
September 16th   7:45am  Jordan Wingate  Rosina Genesi (D)
                      9:30am  People of the Parish
                      11:30am Jodi Nicole Robles (D)  Ignacio Maya (D)
September 17th   8:30am  Colleen Davis  Jenni Davis
                      10:00am Sherrie Hetherington Arendt (D)
September 18th   8:30am  Molly Busto  Jeanette T. Chumbley (D)
September 19th   8:30am  Nubia Lewis & Family
September 20th   6:30pm  Paul James
September 21st   8:30am  Kirk Leavitt
September 22nd   8:30am  Billy Nguyen (D)
                      4:30pm  Joe Fourret (D)
September 23rd   7:45am  Rodolfo Nazario (D)
                      9:30am  People of the Parish
                      10:00am Donna Kabren
                      11:30am Judy Smoot (D)
                      1:00pm  Laureano Bravo (D)
                      6:00pm  Raben Maya, Jr. (D)

Scrub Pulpau for the week of September 16th - 23rd

Sunday-September 16th

1:00pm   Respect Life Ministry Y-2

4:30pm    Lifeteen Y-2

6:30pm    EDGE Y-3

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Schedule for the week of September 16th - 23rd

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Children’s Faith Formation (K-5th)

CFF will officially begin September 23rd with sessions at 8:00am and 10:00am. If you have not enrolled yet, forms are available in the church office, or may be downloaded from our website: www.divinesavior.com.

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic and have questions?
Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church as it is today?

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.

Please join us for six informal sessions beginning Thursday, October 11th, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m. The sessions will include sharing, and updates on the Parish today. Please contact Kathleen Hass at kathleen@divinesavior.com or 916-989-7400 for additional information.

Are you raising Catholic but do not come or seldom come to church anymore?

Are you a Catholic who now feels separated from the Church?
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Parish Landscaping

A number of people have rightly expressed concern about the condition of our landscaping. We are faced with a serious challenge to get our parish property looking more attractive. Sadly, the drought of years past has had rather drastic effects. Despite hundreds of hours of work on the part of our Knights of Columbus, parts of our irrigation system are still not operable; a good example of this is the inability to get water to the trees in the main parking lot.

Lastly, a fair portion of our landscaping is almost 20 years old.

Here is an update on what is being done… A committee of parishioners has been meeting for the last year. They have been working with a Landscape Architect to develop a comprehensive plan for our entire campus, except for the empty plot on the southwest corner of our property. This landscaping plan includes many drought resistant plants so that our water usage is diminished (our total water bill for last month was just shy of $1,000) and erosion can be eliminated.

Another area that calls for serious attention is the fountain. It was not operating for several weeks this summer because we discovered a mystery drain that helped the drought to kill off all plant life (because of the chemicals in the fountain water) in the planter immediately to the southeast of the fountain. There are additional items related to the cleaning and repair of the fountain that will be addressed in the next few months and we will keep you apprised as we address some of the existing challenges which include lighting and broken marble.

While this is a rather grim picture, it is also sadly rather accurate. We appreciate your patience and hopefully we will see some improvements in the coming months.

Fr. Roman Mueller, S.D.S.

Collection Dates: Sept. 22-23

Place items in the Big Red Box in the vestibule.

Soup (pop tops preferred) Cracker
Canned fruits and vegetables (pop tops preferred) Macaroni and cheese
Peanut butter and jelly Tuna
Chili Pasta/rice/sauces
Top Ramen Sugar/flour/salt
Boxed food Canned/Boxed Juice
Paper products (TP, paper towels, facial tissue....)
Personal care products – deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, unopened sample-sized lotions and shampoo...

Drivers to transport the donations are urgently needed! Please call Peggy at 916-988-5168 if you can help, or if you need more information.

Collection for Foster Youth

The food pantry for emancipated foster youth in Sacramento County is once again in need of non-perishable food items. These young people begin a life of independence at 18-20 years of age and need support from the community to be successful.

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Alzheimer’s Association Brain Health Forum

Join the Alzheimer’s Association for a conversation about Paliative Care which has demonstrated benefits for people with Alzheimer’s and other serious and life-threatening diseases:

Thursday, September 20th Hall A
9:00-10:00am Resource Fair
10:00-11:30am Program
RSVP Ingrid Villeda at tvilleda@alz.org or 916-930-9080

“Catholic Viewpoint, Faith, Hope and Love” is now available each week on Sacramento Faith TV, Comcast Channel 20, Consolidated Channel 19, and AT&T Channel 14, at 7:00am Sunday, 9:30am Tuesday, 8:30pm Wednesday and 5:00pm Thursday. It evolved after Sacramento Faith TV requested Father Kiernan do something on Catholicism for their station. The show covers many topics in the Catholic Faith, with appreciation for other beliefs. Guests share their faith and view of life in half hour interviews. You can find the show any time on YouTube. You simply type in “Catholic Viewpoint, Faith Hope and Love”

Around the Diocese

The Parish Respect Life Ministry will meet on Sunday, Sept. 16th at 1:00pm in Y-2
Come and help us prepare for Respect Life Month in October. Everyone is warmly welcomed!!
Contact person: Sally Fong at (916) 849-0533

New ministers are welcome and personal coaching is available. If you are interested in this ministry may email me at mthmaryk@outlook.com for further information.

Mary Frontiera

May 2018 Parish Announcements

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MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

New ministers are welcome and personal coaching is provided. We take communion to residents in 6 facilities and also to those who request through the office, private communion due to the inability to get to Mass for an extended period of time. Anyone interested in this ministry may email me at mthmaryk@outlook.com for further information.

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