Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our Cherished Visitors:

The Christmas Season typically consists of five different feasts. The first is Christmas Eve and Day; the second is the feast we celebrate today, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The other three include Mary, the Holy Mother of God, The Epiphany of the Lord, and The Baptism of the Lord.

In some ways, today could be called The Normal Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Normal families participate faithfully in religious practices that bring the greatest degree of meaning and fulfillment to their lives. The celebration of Christmas, which Jesus, Mary, and Joseph participate in, was the central feast of faithful Jewish people. As noted in today’s Gospel, people would travel in caravans to go to and from such celebrations. Men would be gathered in one group and the women in their own. As happens in normal families, Joseph and Mary both thought that Jesus was in the other’s group traveling back home. How often we, like they, have to face the painful reality that our thinking proved to be unfounded. Like any normal family, Joseph and Mary returned to Jerusalem to look for Jesus. They took their responsibilities as parents quite seriously. Sometimes it takes some time to find the missing person, and that is true for this situation. When they find the child, they are astounded by His sitting in the midst of the teachers engaging in conversations with them that reflected His depth of understanding. Most parents at such a moment would not take the occasion to affirm themselves in what is a great job of parenting that they had done that allowed their child to be so engaged with teachers of the faith. Most parents would do as Mary did, undoubtedly focus on her pain while she says, “Son, why have you done this to us?” Considerations of the Holy Family aside, we see her question on the parish website

Please note
Fr. Marcel’s homilies are available each week on the parish website www.divinesavior.com

Mary, Holy Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation
December 31, 2018
6:30pm-Vigil Mass
January 1, 2019
10:00am-Mass

EMAIL SCAM: We received reports again this past week of emails sent from a spammer impersonating Fr. Roman. If you receive this email, please do not respond. This particular spoofing email seems to be targeting Catholic parishes and dioceses throughout the United States. Other dioceses have reported that the emails are sent repeatedly every few weeks or months.

EUCHARISTICADORATION
Divine Savior invites everyone to Eucharistic Adoration on the 1st Friday of each month. Adoration begins at 9:00am immediately after Mass and continues until 12:00pm.

READINGS OF THE WEEK
Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; 1 Jn 1:1-8
Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:3-5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 88:1-4, Jn 1:19-28
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Friday: Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Saturday: Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Vocations Cross
Saturday, December 29th at the 4:30pm Mass
Joe & Teresa Luchi will take home the Vocations Cross to pray daily for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Religious Life this week.

Parish Announcements

Schedule for the week of December 31st—January 4th

Monday-December 31st
8:30am Daily Mass Church
All Day *** Office Closed*** Office
6:30pm Vigil Mass, Holy Day Church

Tuesday-January 1st
8:30am Mass, Holy Day Church
10:00am *** Office Closed*** Office
9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet Church
9:30am Community Meal Hall
6:30pm Rosary Group Church
6:30pm Men’s Prayer Group Church
9:30am Eucharistic Adoration Church

Thursday-December 3rd
9:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet Church
6:30pm Community Meal Hall
6:30pm Rosary Group Church

Friday-January 4th
6:30am Men’s Prayer Group Church
9:30am Men’s Prayer Group Church
9:00am Eucharistic Adoration Church

Mass Intentions
December 29th
4:30pm Gale Gibson
December 30th
7:45am Duke McAlpine (D)
9:30am People of the Parish
11:30am Dennis Wilson (D)
December 31st
8:30am Anna Maria Gomez (D)
6:30pm Betty Anderson
January 1st
10:00am Arturo Gabbiart (D)
January 2nd
8:30am Deacon Phil Marquez (D)
January 3rd
8:30am Deacon Phil Marquez (D)
January 4th
8:30am Incenta Santos (D)
5:30pm Eudaline (D)
January 5th
8:30am George Gridelie (D)
9:30am Joseph Cerullo (D)
11:30am People of the Parish

Prayers of the Week

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

Alice Amantea
Bill Amantea
Bill Anderson
Sheldon Anderson Jr
Dick Armstrong
Sharon Backus
Taryn Benson
Cecelia Bieviequa
Julie Bouse
Richard Boyd
Eduardo Bravo
Molly Busto
Tom Cairel
Andrew Cobb
David Collier
Pat Collier
Lavon Conolly
Madeleine Crepin
Noreen Davis
Jim Donohue
Mary Dowling
Rebecca Dowling
Dorothy Feldman
Patricia Hamilton
Gary Green
Tyronne Howe
Stephanie Hammer
Brian Kain
David Kinson
Carl Larson
Ruth Lee
Ralph Lopez
Charles Menchaca
Victone Mena
Rovida Matt
Glen Newton
Judy Olson
John Padden
Karen Padlock
Waldy Paige
Linda Parker
Eleanor Peterson
Angel Ramirez
Mike Reagan
Austin Reed
Gladis Reilly
Gerry Ryden
Donna Schulte
Del Schweiger
Mary Scott-Salter
Marilyn Scott
Tom Sekel
Marva Shaw
Shari Sigg
Stephanie Skov-Kail
Diane Stokes
Mikey Trent
Wendy Langan
Helen Wang
Matthew Watson
John Wick

PLEASE NOTE

Mary at 916-988-4984 to add or remove names as space is limited.

Pray for My Military Personnel wherever duty calls them to serve, homeland or overseas. Adrienne Aleshus, James Aleshus, John Aleshus, Logan Amlon, Sean Amos, James Atwood, Jordan Basoett, Anthony Brooks, Jonathan Brooks, Jacob Camillo, Aimee Chabot, Ephrem Choi, Elise Cruz, Matt Davis, Travis Dardis, Derek DeLaCruz, David DeLaCruz, Alison Dowell, Joe Downey, Andrew Durham, Brian Eberhard, Katherine Ernst & A.J. Smith, Tom Evey, Mathew and Timothy Fox, Joseph Gueidan, Tyler Godstad, Eric Harnett, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hooker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Ilsa, Tyler Kenobbie, Nicholas Koelfgen, William Krainz, Tyler Krainz, Andy Kuehn, Dayna Landry, Kelly Mancini, Doran Martin, John Mastroen, Bennet D. McGrane, Garrett McMann, Aaron McMurtry, Francisco Montoya, Joseph M. Paddock, Nathan Paddock, Chris Payan, Dominick Pilman, Rachel Porter,ipples, John Riordan, Logan Rasmussen, Trey Rasmussen, Tim Reid, Neal Ridge, Tony Rodgers, Nicholas Roha, Ryan Roux, Matthew Sandoval, April Sko, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Thatche, Jadone Trujillo, Aimee Vigil, Noah Vilarreal, Danny Walsh, David Wentling, Kyle Williams and Brian Wright.P lease call Mary at 916-988-4984 to add or remove names as space is limited.

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Military Prayer List

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

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Faith & Finance$  
Why not kick off 2019 with a financial checkup?

Financial Wellness Workshops offered at Divine Savior in 2019

Session One: 10 Habits for Reducing Financial Stress in Your Life

Presenter: Mike Hackett, parishioner, professional financial wellness educator

January 27th, 1-2:30pm OR January 30th, 6:30-8pm.
Room Y-3.

For more information, or to RSVP contact:
Denise Hackett, denise@divinesavior.com

Moving On Fellowship: Will meet Monday, Jan. 7 at Annie’s Restaurant, 10:30am. No-host brunch. We are an informal compassion ministry and welcome all who have lost a loved one. Possible topic to share: “My Most Vivid Christmas Memory.” For more information call Pat Biasotti, 530-307-2147.

Recycling Sunday
Where: behind the gym by the Dumpster
When: This Sunday, December 30th, after all the Masses
Why: Salvatorian Haiti Project

Pro-life Mass and Rosary for Peace
Tuesday, January 22, 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the lamentable 1973 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, Roe v Wade, legalizing abortion. In prayerful observance, Bishop Soto has designated January 22, 2019 as a Diocesan Day of Reparation. All are asked to observe this day of fasting, prayer, penance and works of mercy.

All are invited to attend the 8:30am morning Mass at Divine Savior in observance of this Day of Reparation. After Mass we invite everyone to join in reciting the Rosary for Peace. Contact: Sally at (916) 849-0533.

Join us in San Francisco on January 26, 2019 at the 15th Annual Walk for Life West Coast

Join tens of thousands of walkers from all over the state and country. Internationally known pro-life and chastity speaker Patricia Sandoval, will share her gripping story of the journey from pain and fear to hope and life. Other speakers include Rev. Walter Hoye, founder and president of the Issue4Life Foundation and Fr. Sharan Boquet, President of Human Life International. St. John the Baptist Respect Life Ministry is hosting a bus for anyone who would like to join them. The bus will leave from the Church parking lot at 309 Montrose Dr., Folsom (95630) at 7:00 A.M. and will return by 6:30pm. Cost: $25, per seat. For bus reservations: send check made out to Kathy Baxter, 22 Flower Dr., Folsom, CA. (95630), no later than Jan. 4. For additional details, contact Divine Savior Respect Life coordinator: Sally at (916) 849-0533.

The Parish Office will be closed Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

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MANY THANKS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND DAY

While we fortunately have two full weeks remaining to celebrate the great mystery and miracle of Christmas, I want all the same to express our generous thanks for all those who made the first feast of the season all that it was.

Thanks to the many hundreds of people who joined together for the four Masses we celebrated on Christmas Eve and Day. There is no doubt that these celebrations are important in the lives of so many people. To make these celebrations as engaging and grace-filled as possible takes the collaboration of many.

Following is a brief listing of the people that helped out by offering their time and talent:

A) All those who spent many hours preparing the church over the past weeks by placing the various adornments, banners, draping, and chairs.
B) The many people who rehearsed for and led the singing for the Masses; some of these generous folks were present for more than one Mass.
C) With more people than we typically have for ordinary weekend Masses, we appreciate the extra efforts of our Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, altar servers, ushers, and tech people; a thank you as well for those who helped our children do so well for the Mass for Children and Families at the 6:30pm Mass on Christmas Eve.
D) Thanks go to our greeters who distributed special welcome cards as people entered the church. They were also involved with distributing the book Beautiful Hope to each family as we left each Mass. We thank Parish Pastoral Council members and any others who helped with these various chores. A thanks goes as well to the people who passed out and picked up candles used for the Posadas which began the 10:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve.
E) Lastly, but in no way the least of concerns, how blessed our parish is by all those who have lost a loved one. Possible topic to share: “My Most Vivid Christmas Memory.” For more information call Pat Biasotti, 530-307-2147.

Abundant blessings to all as we continue to celebrate the remaining four feasts of the Christmas Season! Fr. Roman Mueller, S.D.S.