Dear Beloved People of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

As we journey through the second half of the Easter Season, we reflect on what it means to be glorified. Jesus states in today’s Gospel that both He and the Father are blessed with glory. This wonderful reality comes to be because the will of the Father is being fulfilled in Jesus. The comment about Judas’ leaving the “Last Supper” indicates that Jesus is entering the final phase of His mission of revealing the Father’s love for all people. Despite realizing the torture and pain that awaits Him, Jesus greets His disciples with affection, calling them “children”. To them, and to us as well, Jesus gives the commandment to love and to do so by following the example that Jesus set. Just as people would know Jesus’ disciples are by the way that they love one another, so we pray that people will realize the same about us by how we love one another and all we interact with.

Our second reading displays how God promises what can be when we live as Jesus has taught us. Given the magnificent universe that God has blessed us with, we are living in grandeur, but also aware that many people are deprived in ways that make it difficult to experience this grandeur because of their needlessly suffering. As the reading from Revelation displays, God will not forget those who suffer through no fault of their own. God promises that if they remain faithful to Him, to whatever degree they are capable of, there will be a day when there will be “no more death or mourning, wailing or pain.” This is the central point of the book of Revelation. Despite its unique and complex imagery, those who do remain faithful despite whatever they are forced to endure will be blessed with new life.

Imagine what it would be like if before the time for God to create all things new, we would find every way possible to diminish or eliminate the suffering of people around the world! Imagine how glorified God would be when we do our part to create what John, the writer of the book of Revelation, saw as a vision and a hope! A significant aspect of bringing this about is allowing God, with the gifts and qualities that today’s Responsorial Psalm attributes to Him, to renew us in gracefulness and mercy, great kindness and compassion. Just as Jesus glorified God by making these qualities real in His earthly life, we, too, can do likewise. What a privilege we have in doing our part to help others experience how God dwells within us as we honor all as the beloved people that God created! We will indeed display how we experience how God dwells within us as we honor all as the beloved people that God created! We will indeed display how we will do our part to create what God desires.

Second Collection for the Community Meal

This weekend, there will be a second collection to support our Community Meal. Guests often comment on how delicious the meals are and sometimes it is their only meal of the day. In 2018, we served nearly 6,000 meals. It appears that this year we will serve more than 7,800 meals! Many thanks to all who have supported this ministry with their time, talent, and treasure. And thank you in advance for your generosity next week!

For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in.— Matthew 25:35

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
A great big thank you for your generous financial support for the Baby Bottle Drive that assists the Sacramento Life Center for mothers and babies, and the Catholic Relief Services Lenten Rice Bowls!!!

If you still have your Baby Bottle or Rice Bowl please turn them in this week.

Catholics Returning Home

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May 19, 2019

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 unless an extension is requested.)

Teresa Alberghini  Alice Amantea
Bill Amantea  Bill Anderson
Sheldon Anderson Jr  Sharon Backus
Taryn Benson  Talon Bonanno
Julie Bous -  Eda Bravu
Edward Cobb  Pat Collier
Lauri Comly - Jo Ann Coughlin
Madeleine Crispin - Jeannette Davidson
Noreen Davis  James Devois
Danielle Dulgerian  Richard Ellis
Régine Gaulk  Dorothy Feldman
Don Fong  Henry Gomes
Gary Green  Patricia Hamilton
Stephanie Hammer  Myron Howe
Joseph Jaramillo  Martin Jennings
Michele Kinaan  Carl Larson
Mike Lederwood  Vicente Meno
Allen D. Nelson  Ronnie Nichols
Patty Nicholson  Nick Ostrogock
John Padden  Karen Paddock
Paul Page  Kenneth Quigley
Eleanor Peterson  Austin Reed
Glady's Reilly  Donna Rouseff
Gary Ryden  Donna Schulte
Mariana  Tom Seidel
Suzy Senejoux  Joan Sexton
Shari Sigil  Therese Toots Smith
Mikey Trent  Carl R. Viesti, Jr.
John Wick

Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Leos Goshgarian  Tom Knesphil
Estephana Lejos  Robert Morris

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

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PENTECOST CULTURAL DAY OF CELEBRATION

We conclude our Easter season with Pentecost, which falls on June 9th this year. Can you speak a language other than English? Would you like to read one of the prayers of the faithful in this language? All Masses will share in the celebration of the Holy Spirit by offering the prayers in different languages. We also encourage everyone to wear clothes representing their ethnic heritage.

At our 11:30am Mass, we will have liturgical dance, readings in Spanish and Tagalog, and a cultural celebration in the hall after Mass with food tastings. The aim of this celebration is to celebrate the cultural & ethnic diversity we have in our parish family. There will be a world map in the vestibule to identify all the groups. We are looking for volunteers to help in the Liturgy, set up the gym, and greeters and servers. Please contact Fr. Marcel if you are able to help with the cultural celebration following the 11:30am Mass, and Elaine for the liturgical celebrations at all weekend Masses. frmarcel@divinesavior.com or elaine@divinesavior.com or (559)307-4216.

Have you downloaded myParish app? If not, you are missing out on parish communications.

This app allows us to send useful and important messages throughout the week regarding parish life and events, and also gives you access to diocesan information, daily Mass readings, links to the Divine Savior website & Facebook book, quick access to online giving, parish news, prayers and prayer reminders, and the weekly bulletin. Be sure to download the app after Mass today by visiting myparishapp.com or searching for myParish on your phone’s app store. Once the app is loaded, search for Divine Savior and you are ready to stay connected with us all week long! Make sure to put in the zip code 95662 when searching for our parish.

COMMUNITY MEAL MINISTRY

The Community Meal Ministry is in urgent and critical need of more volunteers to help in the kitchen dishwashing area! We especially need help on the 4-6pm shift on the 3rd and 4th weeks of the month. If you have availability on either of these weeks and are looking for a volunteer opportunity, this could be it! All “training” is provided, we just need your willing spirit and generosity of time! For more details contact Karen at 916-223-1720 or kpapas@mac.com. Come join the fun!!

LITURGY CORNER—

Hey, would you like to know a not so secret, secret?

Hi everyone!

Did you know that when Fr. Roman and Fr. Marcel hold up the chalice during the offering of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. That is so awesome and a beautiful coin-...