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Have you considered mentioning Our Savior parish in your will? Please help us continue our ministry by remembering us in your will.



PRAYER REQUESTS: Life can be difficult at times and we all need prayer. If you wish to place someone on the prayer list, please contact Frances Stewart at 251-300-7840 or memefrances@yahoo.com or Mary in the parish office. The only thing we ask of you is to please let us know if this person has either recovered, died or is no longer in need of further prayer.



THE FRASSATI SOCIETY OF MOBILE is a new young adults group (20's and 30's) that has been approved by Archbishop Rodi. The Society has four pillars: fellowship, spiritual formation, service, and recreation. The monthly "Frassati Nights" will be an opportunity for faith formation and fellowship with others. They meet the last Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at Little Sisters of the Poor. Visit our website at www.frassatimobile.com for more information!



LINE DANCING is every Monday in Jennings Hall. Classes are from 6:30-8 pm. The cost is \$4 per person. Come join the fun!!



MEMORIAL BRICKS: We are ready to start a new section. If you have been thinking about ordering a brick for a friend or a loved one; you will find the forms on the table in the back of the church. Price is \$40 each or 3 for \$100. What a wonderful way to honor or remember a loved one or a friend. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Judy Pukac at 633-6762 ext 203.



WHEN REGISTERING IN THE HOSPITAL, REHAB OR NURSING HOME, please let them know you are Catholic and are a member of Our Savior Church, also contact the parish office with the name of the facility and room number. If you enter through the ER and are admitted into the hospital please inform them of your church affiliation.



TAI CHI CLASS meets here every Monday at 10am in Jennings Hall. It is a low-impact; slow-motion exercise that is often described as "meditation in motion". Everyone is invited.

ALL are invited to an **EXPLORATORY MEETING** for the possibility of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday, February 13, 6:30 pm in the Marian Center at St Ignatius Church (3704 Springhill Ave). For more information, please email Ines Mersch at ines-mersch@yahoo.com.

But please remember not to compromise any commitment you already have for our Wednesday Adoration at Our Savior Church.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: If you are going to be out of town or not available any time during the months of April-June 2019, please let Mary in the parish office know by **February 28th**. If you are not receiving emails concerning the schedule, please let someone in the parish office know your current email address so you will receive them in the future. Any changes or exceptions may be sent to office@oursaviorparish.org or by calling 251-633-6762 x 200.

STAFF

Father David Tokarz, Pastor
Father Jose Mesa, S.J.
Deacon Charles Kenny (retired)
Deacon Norman Gale
Deacon Jay Boyd
Deacon Francis Tran
Jan Murray, Religious Ed
Tina Lyons, Youth Minister
Dolores Hale, Ministry of Care
Juan Jose Gutierrez, Music Minister
Mary Marks, Office Manager
Judy Pukac, Accountant
Kim McDowell, Maintenance
Mary Anthony, Housekeeping

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Mass: 5 pm
Sunday Masses: 8:30 am & 11 am
Spanish Mass: 7 pm Sunday
Weekdays: 8:30 am Tuesday-Friday
Holy Days: 7 pm Vigil & 8:30 am & 7 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 pm & by appointment

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Please notify the parish office 251-633-6762

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are interested in joining our parish family, please fill out a card on the table in the back of the church to the left as you enter or online at www.oursaviorparish.org

SACRAMENTAL GUIDELINES

Baptism of infants: If you are expecting a child or have recently had a child and want to prepare for baptism, please call Amy Walsh (251-605-8870) to schedule a preparation session.

Confirmation, RCIA, First Eucharist: Jan Murray
251-633-6762 x 206 or re@oursaviorparish.org

Matrimony: Fr. David (six months before the wedding)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

School of Religion grades K4-12 meets Sunday mornings from 9:45 am -10:45 am

PARISH OFFICE

8 am—4 pm Monday—Thursday & 8 am—3 pm Friday

OUR SAVIOR YOUTH GROUPS

Email: youth@oursaviorparish.org
Junior: 6th - 8th grades
Senior: 9th - 12th grades

PRAYER CHAIN

Frances Stewart 251-300-7840 or
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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 9 am—6 pm followed by Novena

OUR SAVIOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 10, 2019



MY TIME (AGAIN) IN ITALY

So I've headed off again to Italy (no surprise, right?). What are the expectations of my journey? Let me just say that I have discussed this with my spiritual director/confessor, and his comment to me was, "You always do the same things; you are so predictable!" I think that by "predictable" he really meant "boring"! Still, you might wonder what will I be up to?

Yes, this is a spiritual retreat for me. Forgive me as I write in future tense since I'm writing this before I actually leave. I'll take a train to Florence and have a day-trip to Siena—there is housed in a church there a wonderful Eucharistic miracle, and I'll pray there in a special way for dearest Cullis Holub, who so loved the city and that church.

In Assisi, it's my time. Evening Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration in the evenings at San Damiano are guaranteed for me (weather permitting), as well as Mass (hopefully, I'll celebrate) at the Basilica of San Francesco (where the saint is buried), or perhaps Mass (again, hopefully, I'll celebrate) in Santa Chiara, where that saint is buried. I'll walk down to Santa Maria degli Angeli (Francis' Porziuncola) for Mass and Rosary; I'll walk up Mount Subasio for lunch at La Stalla, a great rustic location, and further up to the Hermitage where Francis often went to spend time alone in prayer. The place is tremendously peaceful, and the view is staggering; it's easy to see why Francis loved it

In Rome, there'll be Rosary for my Mother at Sant'Agostino (where his Mother, St Monica, is buried); Rosary for my Dad at St Paul Outside the Walls; confession for me with the Dominicans at Santa Maria Maggiore; Mass one morning at St Peter's. I'll certainly notice several "legitimate" beggars on the streets (it's hard to fake an amputation), and I'll engage them in conversation and give them some money. Oh, yes: and dinners with friends!

Confession, Rosary, Adoration, Mass, Liturgy of the Hours—it's my routine, and if it seems "boring" to others, it's a comfort and time of healing for me. When I take groups, as I will this June, I have virtually no private time (it's not vacation for me—it's work). But when I go by myself, I get to spend quality time with the Lord in very special places. I'm so blessed for these opportunities!

I know that this sounds terribly like bragging. Please forgive me. The truth is that I am spiritually strengthened by these visits, and I hope they enable me to be more effective as a priest because of them. Pray for me, and I will be praying for everyone at Our Savior.

Fr. David

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"Our Savior parish is a Catholic community, fueled by the Eucharist and infused with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, committed to faith-filled worship, to outreach and welcoming for our brothers and sisters in need, to striving for Christian unity, to pursuing respect for the dignity of all human life, and to building the Kingdom of God on Cody Road and beyond."

Please pray for those who are sick and suffering in our parish, in a special way...

Bill Barber	Michael Dees	Jeb Shell
Keith Bumpers	Jesus Gallego	Kathy Sirak
Lisa Brazell	Rose Marie Kervin	Linda Skeel-Haenel
Annie Ruth Chappell	Monica Knight	Mary Ann Stanley
Bill Ciccaglione	Rady Laron	David Stewart
Mason Coker	Mary Lozano	Joe Vegliacich
Judy Courtney	Ashley Rickel	Bradley Wells
Leah Dees	Vicki Scott	Elaine Zoller

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Nick Ciccaglione 2/1/08	John Calametti 2/15/17
Don Lee 2/2/13	Carl Noller 2/17/87
Carmel Cotter 2/3/16	Noah Riddle 2/17/16
Mary Ellen Cruit 2/3/04	Dolores Ramos 2/18/14
Harriett Busby 2/4/99	Ignatius Darring 2/20/09
Tom Pennington 2/4/11	Judy Engler 2/20/16
David Zimlich 2/4/15	Jack Kenny 2/20/13
Steven Grant 2/5/00	Eugene Holt 2/20/13
Rose Ellis 2/6/06	Joan Duffy 2/22/08
Joe Hacker 2/7/11	Renee Gump 2/25/17
John Klemm 2/8/15	Billy Kountz 2/27/07
Harry Ryan III 2/9/02	Mike Walsh 2/27/11
Josephine Stewart 2/9/09	Jacob Moore 2/27/16
Jo Shirey 2/9/17	Lejune Newman 2/27/12
Al Cosci 2/13/11	Earl Jordan 2/28/07
Harold Reed 2/12/09	Tim Lovorn 2/28/08
Jim Murray 2/12/08	H. L. Porter 2/28/08
Don Maurer 2/12/16	Dorothy Puckett 2/29/12
John Ellis 2/14/06	
Jacques Trefontaine 2/15/02	
Florence Bowdion 2/15/07	

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday World Marriage Day
RE (9:45 am)

Monday Tai-Chi (10 am)
Line Dancing (7 pm)

Tuesday Handmade Hugs (1 pm)
Men of St. Joseph (6 pm)
RCIA (6:30 pm)

Wednesday Adoration (9 am)
Bible Sharing (9:30 am)
Holy Hour & Novena (6:15 pm)
Scouts (6:30 pm)
K of C 4th Degree (7:00 pm)
Choir (7 pm)

Friday Singing Needles (10:30 am)



THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY is humbled and grateful for the thoughtfulness of so many who donated to help assist the many federal workers in our parish left financially impacted by the government shutdown.



THE K OF C WILL BE SELLING BEEF BRISKET DINNERS after the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, February 9th and 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 10th. The cost is \$8.00 per plate.



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY is this weekend. Please come and celebrate your vocation to family life with us. The Parish Life Committee will offer cake and punch after all the Masses.



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS:
Tuan & Holly Nguyen and their children Wyatt & Autumn
David & Haley Pham Dai
MaDonna Miskov

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm: Jim Murray (d)
Sunday 8:30 am: Mary Elizabeth Ludvigsen (d)
11:00 am: People of the Parish

Tuesday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Wednesday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Thursday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Friday 8:30 am: Communion Service



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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat. Reading 1: Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21
Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Sun. Reading 1: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8 (75C)
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11
Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Mon. Reading 1: Genesis 1:1-19
Gospel: Mark 6:53-56

Tues. Reading 1: Genesis 1:20-2:4a
Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

Wed. Reading 1: Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17
Gospel: Mark 7:14-23

Thurs. Reading 1: Genesis 2:18-25
Gospel: Mark 7:24-30

Fri. Reading 1: Genesis 3:1-8
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

If you have not returned your Catholic Charities envelope, please do so now. Envelopes are available in the back of the church. The parish goal is to have every family participate to the best of their ability. Please, answer the Call to Give to those in need through your prayerful generosity to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal. Please, help our parish meet our goal of **\$129,500** this year and obtain 100% participation.

To date we have just under \$90,000 pledged from 133 parishioners. This Sunday is our last official appeal and call in. Please help us reach our goal of \$129,500 and 100% participation. If you have never contributed to this appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so. **No gift is too small** and every dollar helps those in need right here in our archdiocese. By our baptism we are called to give to those in need. "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Mt 25:40) *Thank you for your consideration and special thanks to those who have already pledged. May God bless you!*

"Love proves itself by deeds, and how shall I prove mine? ... I can prove my love only by scattering flowers, that is to say, by never letting slip a single little sacrifice, a single glance, a single word; by making profit of the very smallest actions, by doing them all for love. I want to suffer and even rejoice for love, for this is my way of scattering flowers."
- St. Therese of Lisieux, *The Story of a Soul*

Anticipated Offering Income	\$ 12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$ 12,057
Online Giving	\$ 0
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$ 60,576
Actual Offering Income to date	\$ 60,468
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	(108)
Budget Offering Year	\$ 630,000
Building Fund this week	\$ 474
Building Fund to date	\$ 1,174

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

First Eucharist Parents, please be practicing prayers at home with your children. If you finish your banner before the due date, you may bring it in to the religious education office for safe keeping. Remember, it is important to attend Mass each week as a family. Finally, we ask that you practice receiving the Eucharist at home with your child so that he or she knows the response is "Amen"; and that they make a throne to receive the Eucharist in their hands and take the chalice carefully from the priest or minister so that nothing spills. Interviews are April 10. If you have not signed up for a time, please contact Jan Murray as soon as possible.

Parishioners, please continue to pray for our **Catechumens** and **Candidates** as they continue their journey. Their next big event is the Rite of Sending and the Rite of Election both of which will be celebrated on March 17, 2019.

Religious Education Classes, 4K-grade 12, are in session each Sunday in February. Thanks to all our dedicated catechists and assistants and to our students who come so faithfully throughout the year. God will bless you!



FOOD FOR THE POOR: Please join us this weekend February 9th & 10th to hear Father Scott speak at all the Masses about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America

and the Caribbean. Father Scott will share personal witness about Food for the Poor's mission to care for the destitute. Please join us in welcoming Father Scott this weekend.

FR DAVID will be away Monday, February 11th through Friday, February 15th. We will have communion services during week while Fr David is away.



I cannot be prouder of our youth and the youth leaders/parents for the tremendous job they did at the pancake breakfast! The turnout was wonderful, and even workers seemed to be having a good time. Adults mostly were in the "background" (= kitchen, prepping, cooking, doing dishes...); the young people were front and center with serving, helping, and in general bringing a sense of joy to the afternoon brunch. If you were not there, you missed a great event; get it on your calendars for next year.

Praise to Tina, our youth, and our youth parents/volunteers for a job that went (as is typical, honestly) far above and beyond.

–Fr David

NEW LADIES AUXILIARY GROUP

Our Savior is looking to start back up the Ladies Auxiliary. Membership is open to any Catholic/or Christian female 18 years of age or older. Our group will have the following objectives: to participate in Charitable, Church and Community activities and to assist in promoting our Knights of Columbus Council activities, most of us already help with most activities. Please let Tina know if you're interested in becoming a member. I will set an informational meeting after we see if there is any interest. First order of business would be to come up with a name for our group so put on your thinking cap now and send me your ideas.



WOW! What a weekend for our youth and their parents.

Food Fun & Fellowship was definitely happening around Our Savior this past weekend.

SOUPER BOWL of CARING Update

Our first event was the Souper Bowl Food Drive collection. This weekend our youth and lots of volunteers helped us collect, sort, check for expiration dates and then box them up for SVDP to stock their food pantry. We counted over 11,000 nonperishable food items for those in need. Thank You to everyone who donated and gave their time. We will continue to collect for the month of February and then celebrate with our Soup & Sandwich Thank You Luncheon. Watch for more details.

Souper Bowl of Caring is a national movement of young people, working together to fight hunger and poverty in their local communities. The idea for the Souper Bowl of Caring came from this prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those that do not have a bowl of soup to eat." It all began on Super Bowl Sunday back in 1990. This simple prayer inspired a youth group to create a fun, yet meaningful way to fight Hunger and to reach out to those in need.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Update

Our Pancake Breakfast was well attended; at first I thought we might run out of food but we had plenty. Thank You to all who came out and supported our youth. Your support means a lot to us. All proceeds this weekend will help us attend Alive in You in the summer of 2019. We will be heading to Knoxville, TN to do service work in the community.

Upcoming Events Reminders

February 16th – 10-Noon Jennings Hall- Clean up date & gathering supplies – preparing for Convent of Mercy & Alive in You

If anyone would like to meet for breakfast beforehand we could meet either at Waffle House or Cracker Barrel (watch for an email with details)

March 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th – Stations of the Cross & Lenten Dinners (watch for details)

March (date to be announced) Soup & Sandwich Thank You Luncheon

March 30th- Service project with South Alabama – more details to follow

Youth group is open to all Middle School Youth Group 6th-8th grade & High School Youth Group 9th-12th grade

Please bring a snack or drink to share with the group at our gatherings.

Please contact Ms. Tina at youth@oursaviorparish.org or 251-633-6762 x 205 if you have any questions.



YOUNG AT HEART GROUP is planning a Dinner Cruise on **Wednesday, March 13th** the cost will include a buffet, and live music while you cruise the coast.

- Duration: 2.5 hours
- Dinner: Two-entrees, self-serve buffet with plenty of sides and salad to select from for your meal
- Dress: Business-casual
- Included: Cruise on our 2 level climate controlled paddlewheel, The Perdido Queen. Dinner, live music and a full cash bar are included.
- Weather: Perdido Queen Dinner Cruises operate rain or shine
- The vessel is heated or cooled

Contact Tina by Thursday, February 28th for more information and reservations.