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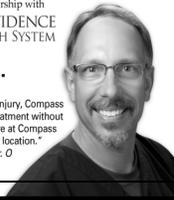
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PRAYER REQUESTS: Life can be difficult at times and we all need prayer. If you wish to place someone on the prayer list, please contact memefrances@yahoo.com or Mary in the parish office. The only thing we ask of you is to please let us know if this 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.



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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is an act of love. We need volunteers on Wednesday. If you can help, please contact Janet Broderick at janeth8757@hotmail.com or (251) 635-1644.

BISHOP TOOLEN AND CONVENT OF MERCY CLASSES OF '65 Annual Birthday Luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, August 24, 11:30, at Felix's on the Causeway. Please make reservations by contacting Theresa Orrell, tmrorrell@aol.com, 454-4667 for the Bishop Toolen class, or Myra Sands, myrasands@gmail.com, 406-5619 for the Convent of Mercy class.

The Men's Retreat, scheduled at Visitation Monastery in Mobile, September 6th – 8th, 2019, will be led by Reverend Monsignor Michael V. Reed, J.C.L., of the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee. Monsignor Reed is Pastor of St. Rose of Lima Parish in Milton, Florida. The Retreat begins 5:00 pm Friday September 6th and concludes with breakfast on Sunday, September 8th. For registration and fee information, please contact Mr. Paul Halladay at 251.454.8208 or Visitation Monastery at 251.473.2321.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: If you are going to be out of town or not available any time during the months of October-December 2019, please let Mary in the parish office know by **August 31st**. 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.

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Father David Tokarz, Pastor
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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
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Mary Anthony, Housekeeping

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Mass: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Spanish Mass: 7 p.m. Sunday
Weekdays: 8:30 am Tuesday-Friday
Holy Days: 7 p.m. Vigil & 8:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m. & 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 K - 12 meets Sunday mornings from 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE

8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Thursday & 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Friday

OUR SAVIOR YOUTH GROUPS

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

PRAYER CHAIN

Frances Stewart or meme frances@yahoo.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. followed by Novena



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 18, 2019

DOG DAYS

We are in the midst of those days (typically, but not universally, from mid-July through August) which we might think were named for our being “dog-tired,” mostly because of the humidity that piles on top of the heat. But no, that would be too simple (and too realistic!) an explanation.

In fact, the days are marked by the appearance of the constellation Canis Major, the Big Dog, in the sky. Sirius (the “Dog-Star”) is part of this constellation, and in fact Sirius is the 4th brightest object in the sky (after the sun, moon, Venus, and Jupiter), and it is (to our vision) the brightest star after the sun. The rising of Sirius and its canine constellation coincides with these sweltering days; hence, the name.

But what else can we think of besides sweating when we think about “dog-days”? I think there are a couple of alternatives that might be better for our minds. The first is the man whose feast we celebrated on the 8th of this month: St Dominic. A form in Latin of the name given to the members of his order is closely related to (and often translated as) “the dogs of the Lord.” Formally, this religious congregation is the “Order of Preachers,” but referring to them as “God’s hunting hounds” is especially appropriate for a community of friars dedicated to defeating heretics by its preaching and example. The heretics he mostly had in mind were known as “Cathars,” or “Albigensians,” people who lived lives of radical poverty because they were convinced that all material existence was irreparably defaced by evil and sin. The Dominicans’ desire was to challenge this by living lives of equal poverty and simplicity and yet affirming the goodness of God’s presence in creation, in spite of sin. With so much present in our world and Church today, it is easy to see the logic of the Cathars (even if we would not be willing to embrace their answers). All the more, we should appreciate the Dominicans.

Even better than this saint, though, is our Lord Himself, under a nickname given Him by the English poet (and Roman Catholic) Francis Thompson with his poem “The Hound of Heaven.” Here, Jesus (like the image of the shepherd in Luke 15:1-7) will not let the lone lost soul remain separated, no matter how badly that soul wanted to be separated:

*I fled Him, down the nights and down the days;
I fled Him, down the arches of the years;
I fled Him, down the labyrinthine ways
Of my own mind; and in the midst of tears
I hid from Him, and under running laughter.*

At the end of this long search (of the Lord for him, and not the other way around), Thompson admits that his fears that desire to avoid Him are no match for Love’s desire to pursue and find him. As C S Lewis put it, often folks talk about their search for God. In his case, he said, that would have been like the mouse’s search for the cat! The Hound of heaven (the Son of Man) has come to seek and save that which was lost (Luke 19:10).

There are, after all, many blessings to be enjoyed during our “Dog-days.”

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	Jesus Gallego	Vicki Scott
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Bill Ciccaglione	Rady Laron	Joe Vegliacich
Mason Coker	Mary Lozano	Bradley Wells
Judy Courtney	Marsha Naman	Mary Beth Ezell
Leah Dees	Michael Nelson	Elaine Zoller
Michael Dees	Ashley Rickel	

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

James Walsh 8/1/06	Charles Pollman, Sr. 8/18/08
Sadie Davis 8/1/10	Agnes Murray 8/19/06
Jeanne Pollara 8/1/05	Cullis Holub 8/19/15
Phi Hoang 8/2/09	Tom Clinton 8/19/18
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Madelyn Christiansen 8/3/09	Sullivan O'Rourke 8/21/10
Mary Kress 8/3/14	Henna Dana 8/21/13
James G Murray 8/4/02	Teresa Powell 8/22/08
Cecilia Street 8/4/14	Msgr Joseph McArdle 8/23/00
Sean Delcambre 8/5/19	Eubie Watson 8/23/05
Margarita deCuellar 8/6/01	Helen Cullefer 8/23/15
George Kirk 8/6/13	Linda Behr 8/23/18
James Roberts 8/7/09	Ann Burns 8/25/08
Samuel P. Garrone 8/7/97	Edith Klein 8/25/05
David Pomier 8/9/11	Doug Pierre 8/25/09
John Pigott 8/9/15	George Kutey 8/25/15
Leon Rung 8/10/16	William Kirven 8/26/09
Pete Garriz 8/10/16	Irene Novak 8/26/12
Ruth B. Dunaway 8/11/01	Mary Anne Hennigan 8/26/18
Thomas Stirling 8/11/08	Jean Engler 8/27/97
Jack Baker 8/13/11	Conchita Charnock 8/27/12
Lill England 8/14/08	Barry Jaet 8/27/13
Patsy Kenny 8/14/11	Johnny Crist 8/28/10
Lillian Giara 8/15/07	Cesar Cosci 8/29/18
Lisa Crum 8/16/07	Regina Street 8/30/79
Faye Richburg 8/17/08	Ron Willis 8/30/03
Jerry Callaghan 8/17/12	Mary McQueen 8/30/12
Doyle Ellis 8/17/04	Lily Villanueva 8/30/15
Frank Holderfield Sr 8/17/07	Rolando Sema 8/31/12
Brooke Heuermann 8/17/13	

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday	St Vincent de Paul mtg (9:45 a.m.)
Monday	Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Line Dancing (6:30 p.m.) Contemplative Prayer (7:00 p.m.)
Tuesday	Handmade Hugs (1:00 p.m.) Men of St. Joseph (6:00 p.m.)
Wednesday	Adoration (9:00 a.m.) Bible Sharing (9:30 a.m.) Holy Hour & Novena (6:15 p.m.) Finance Council mtg (6:30 p.m.) Scouts (6:30 p.m.) Choir (7:00 p.m.)
Thursday	Ladies Paint Party (6:00-8:00 p.m.) Jennings Hall
Friday	Singing Needles (10:30 a.m.)

Our Savior will be hosting their First ever **MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL** on October 26th in Jennings Hall after the 5 O'clock Mass. We would like to celebrate the richness of all the different cultures and traditions right here at Our Savior. We are looking for parishioners that might be interested in having a table to share their heritage and traditions. So far we have Vietnam, USA, Poland, Philippines, Nicaragua, Mexico, Canada and Italy. If you would like to help at one of these booths or set up one yourself, please contact either Deacon Francis or Tina Lyons in the office. Another thought we had was to see if we could get some adults, youth and younger children to take part in a fashion show to show off the traditional dress of the different cultures. Let us know if you are interested in participating! Watch for more detail in the upcoming weeks. Our next meeting will be Monday, August 26th at 6pm if you can join



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS: Regina Phillips, and her daughter Alice Phillips & granddaughter Jessie Phillips.

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday	5:00 p.m.: Agnes Murray (d)
Sunday	8:30 a.m.: Cullis Holub (d)
	11:00 a.m.: People of the Parish : Anna Weber (d)
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.: Al & Gerry Pawlowski (d)
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.: Peter, Vinh Nguyen (d)
Thursday	8:30 a.m.: Theresa Powell (d)
Friday	8:30 a.m.: Linda Behr (d)



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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat.	Reading 1: Joshua 24:14-29 Gospel: Matthew 19:13-15
Sun.	Reading 1: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 (120C) Reading 2: Hebrews 12:1-4 Gospel: Luke 12:49-53
Mon.	Reading 1: Judges 2:11-21 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22
Tues.	Reading 1: Judges 6:11-24a Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30
Wed.	Reading 1: Judges 9:6-15 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16
Thurs.	Reading 1: Judges 11:29-39a Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14
Fri.	Reading 1: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40



KNIGHT'S KORNER



RAFFLE TICKETS: We have done it again. The Knights of Columbus have had a meeting and we have had a drawing. This was the fifth draw and to this point, we have almost sold 200 tickets out of the possible 300 we hope to sell. Only four more and the big one. We all still have good odds to win but we would still like to sell more and give others a chance to join the fun. We are trying to sell after the Masses again so spread the word. Thank you for your participation. Any profits that we receive will be going to help worthy causes. So in the end, we are all winners.



CHILD PROTECTION RETRAINING Volunteers it's time to renew your training for Child Protection. We are using a new on-line system this year. You will find instructions on how to update training at protection.mobarch.org/training/.

SAVE THIS DATE!
SECURITY TRAINING FOR ALL USHERS

Date: Saturday, September 7th
Time: 10 am
Place: Church

We are also looking for new ushers for all Masses; if you are interested in becoming an usher please contact Bill Wakefield or Mary in the office.

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	10,457
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	387,692
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	393,615
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	5,923
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	50
Building Fund to date	\$	5,265
Temascalapa Appeal	\$	22,519
Home Mission	\$	



YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS

JUST IN! ALIVE IN YOU 2020

Looks like we're heading to Columbia, South Carolina June 16th-21st! Registration opens on August 15th, if you are interested in attending, I will need a \$100 deposit to hold your spot. FYI-- Ms. Sue beat all of you; she already handed in her deposit last Sunday not knowing where we were headed. Now that's FAITH!!!

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH!

The Archdiocese of Mobile, Office of Youth Ministries is planning a Pilgrimage to Washington DC for the March for Life. It is open to all High School youth in the Archdiocese in the 9th-12th grade.

The dates for the pilgrimage are Wednesday, January 22 through Sunday, January 26, 2020. You will miss 2 days of school, Thursday & Friday only. The cost is \$300. It includes hotel accommodations, museum, event fees and bus. You will also need money for meals and personal spending. We will leave on Wednesday evening and arrive in DC on Thursday. The March will take place on Friday, January 24, 2020. We will head back to Mobile on Saturday, January 25th and arrive in Mobile Sunday, January 26th. I will need a \$150 deposit by September 23rd and the balance no later than December 16th.

UPCOMING MEETINGS /EVENTS:

Aug. 25th – Temascalapa Fiesta: need about 5 or 6 helpers
Sept. 11th – Adoration from 5-5:30 (more information later)
Sept. 29th – Youth Fun Day – Bowling, Laser Tag & Pizza at Eastern Shore Lanes

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 252-633-6762 x 205, if you have any questions.



The Men of St. Joseph are offering the Outback Retreat the weekend of October 25-27, 2019. The group is working with the Archdiocese of Mobile to specifically target students who are freshmen or sophomores in high school. The unique charism of this retreat is that one does not attend alone; rather pairs attend the weekend. The upcoming Outback is for a teen and a parent. This is a great way to evangelize both teens and parents. The hope is that once a parent and a teen are both evangelized they will return to the parish with a renewed openness. Please call or email Patrick Arensberg with any questions or concerns, or to arrange for someone to speak to parish about the retreat ((251) 433-6991 (parensberg@mobarch.org))

THE MOBILE DEANERY ACCW FALL QUARTERLY MEETING

Date: Wednesday, August 28th
Place: Corpus Christi Parish (6300 McKenna Dr, Mobile, AL 36608)
Registration: 9:15 a.m.
Meeting: 9:45 a.m.
Mass: 11:15 a.m.
Lunch: Immediately following Mass
Cost: \$ 13.00

Please make reservations by August 23rd with Carlee Russell (251-533-4771) or Betty Robertson (251-423-5138).



SISTER PARISH TEMASCALAPA'S ANNUAL FIESTA will be Sunday, August 25th at 5:30 p.m. in Jennings Hall. All are welcome. Good food & good friends. Thanks to everyone for your prayers and financial support for the children of Temascalapa.

"When we die to something, something comes alive within us. If we die to self, charity comes alive; if we die to pride, service comes alive; if we die to lust, reverence for personality comes alive; if we die to anger, love comes alive." — Abp Fulton J. Sheen

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Religious Education (RE) classes for 2019-2020 begin Sunday, September 8. Green registration forms are available in the back of the Church. Forms may be downloaded from the website. These classes are for students in grades K through 12 who do not attend a Catholic school. Class begins at 9:45 am and dismisses at 10:45 am. We are in need of catechists and assistants for the fall. Please contact Jan Murray to volunteer or for more information: re@oursaviorparish.org or 633-6762, x 206. Family Registration forms are for new as well as returning students.

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist students are enrolled in grade 2 and must have received religious instruction during the first grade as well.

The next **Confirmation class** will begin the second year of study/preparation this fall for Confirmation in the fall of 2020. Confirmation students must be enrolled in and attending religious education classes or a Catholic high school. Confirmation is for students in the 11th grade and above.

Come and see! The **RCIA Process** will begin September 3, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Church. All are welcome - non-Catholics, those never baptized, and Catholics who would like a refresher. We begin with a meal and would appreciate knowing if you plan to attend so that our volunteer chefs can plan accordingly. There are forms in the racks at the back of the church or you can call or email Jan Murray, 633-6762, x206, re@oursaviorparish.org.

UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Does the Church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so). It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year. Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published? If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. Please contact the office at either office@oursaviorparish.org or 251-633-6762 x 200 with any changes.



We are still looking for a few volunteers to round out our **Religious Education Catechist Faculty** for 2019-2020. It's an easy commitment for an hour a week for 30 weeks, September to May. Pope Francis recently reminded a group of Catholic educators that they were not "[teaching] by accident. You were led. You were sent." Whom ever the Holy Spirit is leading and sending to be a catechist at Our Savior is reading this bulletin right now! Is it you? Please contact Jan Murray for more information: re@oursaviorparish.org or 633-6762, x 206

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