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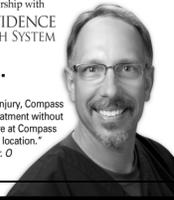
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PRAYER REQUESTS: Life can be difficult at times and we all need prayer. If you wish to place someone on the prayer list, please contact memefrances@yahoo.com or Mary in the parish office. The only thing we ask of you is to please let us know if this 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 their 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 janetb8757@hotmail.com or (251) 635-1644.



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(prensberg@mobarch.org))



THE 48TH ANNUAL LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR LAWN PARTY will be held on Sunday, October 20th from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. There is a need for homemade candy to be made and donated for our candy booth. All candy will need to be de-

RED MASS: The St. Thomas More Society will be sponsoring the Celebration of the Red Mass on October 4, 2019, with Archbishop Rodi being Celebrant at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, beginning at 12:00 p.m. This Special Mass asks for God's blessings on our Judicial System and elected officials. If you would like to join the St. Thomas More Society, or participate more fully in the Red Mass Celebration, please contact Brenda Hetrick at 251-341-0405.

THE FRIENDS OF CATHOLIC CEMETERY will be holding their annual Fall Cleanup Day on Saturday, October 19th. This day is held for all to have an opportunity to earn service hours and for families to spend time cleaning up family and religious plots. If you have your own tools it would be helpful if you could bring with you. You may contact Aimee Anderson @ 251-767-3294 if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Dolores Hale, Ministry of Care
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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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MOVING OR CHANGING ADDRESS

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



Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 29, 2019



LET'S GET VULGAR

Before everyone freaks out, what do I actually mean? The word “vulgar” has come to mean crude and/or obscene. But that is not quite the original meaning that has morphed into this modern sense. The earlier, original, meaning of the word was used to describe something “common.” And so what was “common” was not what was “refined,” and the “common” became base and trashy, and so on. But let’s hold on to the original meaning.

I’m thinking of this because Monday’s Memorial is that of St Jerome, the great Biblical scholar and translator of the Bible—into Latin. And his translation is known as the “Vulgate”—same root as “vulgar.” This is because Latin was (at the time) the “common” language of the Roman Empire. The idea was to allow the “common” folks to be able to read God’s Word.

This is why updated translations are always needed for the Church. It is true (Hebrews 13:8) that Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today, and forever; sadly, our language is not that permanent. So if we want clarity in order to foster comprehensibility, we need translations of the Scriptures (and, I will add, of the liturgy) that are clear and easily understood. For us in America, this means solid and precise and accessible English.

Some folks want to return to Latin because they believe this was the original (and therefore only proper) language for worship (and, perhaps) Scripture. But this is a mistake. Jerome spent years mastering Hebrew so he could turn the original languages of the Bible (Hebrew, Aramaic, Greek) into the Latin that people could comprehend. I remember a dear friend, a Greek Orthodox priest, who was asked by an Evangelical preacher which English translation he used in worship. The answer was, “We use the original Greek!” We Roman Catholics are far from being able to say this.

But that’s OK. The goal is not to slug through a translation that is 1) foreign to us and 2) at best being done as a school-boy exercise; we need to be able to feed off the Word, and we must trust those with better skills and knowledge than we to offer us clear and accurate translations. God’s Word cannot be fully “living and effective” (Hebrews 4:12) if we only face it as a homework assignment.

That’s why St Jerome is so important. As a person he was (to put it politely) cantankerous; as a scholar he was filled with integrity. Did he make mistakes? Yes, he did; but only when seen in retrospect when better manuscripts than he had available surfaced. And it’s why the work he pioneered must be continued; after all, God wills ALL people to be saved and come to a knowledge of the truth (I Timothy 2:3-4), but that can only happen when people understand God’s Word. The final witness to this is the Ethiopian eunuch when encountered by the deacon Philip. He was reading Isaiah 53 (the “Suffering Servant” passage), and when Philip asked him if he understood what was written, his humble answer was, “How can I, unless someone instructs me?” (Acts 8:30-31). God wills ALL to be saved; we ALL must then understand the Word; clear translations guide us in coming close to the One who cares and loves.

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...

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FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

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Sue Seelig 9/1/15	Geneva J. Seitz 9/13/08
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Burkhard Dohm 9/2/18	Msr. Tony McDevitt 9/14/10
Harold Klemm 9/3/13	Flo Callaghan 9/14/18
Bruce Brown 9/3/18	Julianna Watson 9/16/16
Dorothy Simons 9/4/02	Al Pawlowski 9/16/18
Clifford Willis 9/4/13	Louise Cullefer 9/19/16
Fannie Beca 9/4/16	Julia Nunez 9/19/16
Terry Cronis 9/4/18	Cindy Bair 9/20/13
Molly Elle Pickett 9/5/04	David Jacobs 9/20/17
Elsi Kilbert 9/7/06	David Stewart 9/21/05
Edward Crusse 9/7/09	Rosa Dunn 9/21/08
Marshall Langan 9/8/08	Mary Briedenich 9/21/12
Shirley Dennis 9/8/14	Bernie O'Leary 9/22/01
Wally Reinhardt 9/8/16	Stella Zambrano 9/23/05
Paul Cary 9/9/10	James Witschell 9/25/05
Robert Stock 9/10/04	Frank Hale 9/25/14
Walter Darring 9/10/04	James Price 9/26/08
Amy Langford 9/10/12	Arthur Giles 9/27/12
Bob Skeel 9/10/14	Nathalie Arditi 9/27/96
Deacon Frank Adams 9/12/06	Bob Higdon 9/27/13
John Lindell 9/11/13	Gary Henriksen 9/28/17

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday	RE (9:45 a.m.) AE (9:45 a.m.) St Vincent de Paul mtg (9:45 a.m.)
Monday	Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Line Dancing (6:30 p.m.)
Tuesday	Handmade Hugs (1:00 p.m.) Men of St. Joseph (6:00 p.m.) RCIA (6:30 p.m.)
Wednesday	Adoration (9:00 a.m.) Bible Sharing (9:30 a.m.) Holy Hour & Novena (6:15 p.m.) Scouts (6:30 p.m.) Parish Council mtg (6:30 p.m.) Choir (7:00 p.m.)
Thursday	Confirmation mtg (5:30 p.m.) Joseph Hall K of C mtg (7:00 p.m.) AE (7:00 p.m.) Church
Friday	1st Friday Holy Hour (9:00 a.m.) Singing Needles (10:30 a.m.)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE COVERS THE ABORTION SITE IN PRAYER from 6am – 6pm from Wednesday, September 25th - Sunday, November 3rd. To sign up for vigil hours to pray on the abortion sidewalk, visit www.40daysforlife.com/mobile. For help, contact Ricarda Manning manning_r@bellsouth.net or 251-343-9204

WOMEN'S RETREAT: Please join us on **Saturday, October 5** at 8:30 a.m. at St Dominic's (Murphy Center building behind the church) for a Women's Retreat: "She Pondered All These Things in Her Heart." Retreat Director is Father Stephen Vrazel. This will be a day of spiritual renewal and growth, using Mary as our model of prayer. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Brenda Christian by Tuesday, October 1 at 251-661-5130, ext. 221 or bchristian@stdominicmobile.org.



TAMALES: Hispanic Ministry will be selling tamales after the Masses this weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday	5:00 pm: Jim & Josephine Licari (d)
Sunday	8:30 am: David Dean (d)
	11:00 am: People of the Parish
Tuesday	8:30 am: Breanna Dang (d)
Wednesday	8:30 am: Blythe Nancy Boyles (d)
Thursday	8:30 am: Peter, Vinh Nguyen (d)
Friday	8:30 am: Klaus Schoen (d)



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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat.	Reading 1: Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a Gospel: Luke 9:46b-45
Sun.	Reading 1: Amos 6:1a, 4-7 (138C) Reading 2: 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31
Mon.	Reading 1: Zechariah 8:1-8 Gospel: Luke 9:46-50
Tues.	Reading 1: Zechariah 8:20-23 Gospel: Luke 9:51-56
Wed.	Reading 1: Nehemiah 2:1-8 Gospel: Matthew 18:1-5,10
Thurs.	Reading 1: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Gospel: Luke 10:1-12
Fri.	Reading 1: Baruch 1:15-22 Gospel: Luke 10:13-16



KNIGHT'S KORNER



HAPPY OFFICIAL FALL SEASON to everyone even though the outside temps are still indicating summer is still around. First we would like to welcome brother Tad back after dealing with a lengthy illness. You have truly been missed! We wanted to remind everyone of our annual Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit people with intellectual disabilities on October 4th from 8-12. We'll be manning the street corners of Grelot and Hillcrest Roads. Please get the word out to everyone and venture out and support us. We sure appreciate your support as always. We were happy to assist with the annual Altar Server Banquet held this past Sunday by providing food and manpower. What a great group of youngsters. Finally as a reminder for our fellow brothers the next council meeting is next Thursday at 7:00 pm and social hour with food at 6:30. Vivat Jesus!!

RAFFLE TICKETS: We have almost sold 200 tickets out of the possible 300 we hope to sell. We only have three more drawings, and then the big one. We all still have good odds to win but we would still like to sell more tickets and give others a chance to join the fun. We are trying to be there 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.

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL SAVE the DATE!

Our Savior will be hosting their First Annual Multicultural Festival on **Saturday, October 26th** in Jennings Hall after the 5 O'clock Mass. We will have 14 countries highlighted that evening. Food Sampling, Music, Dancing and a Fashion Show. We would like to celebrate the richness of all the different cultures and traditions right here at Our Savior! Watch for more information in the upcoming weeks or contact Deacon Francis or Tina in the office.

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	11,089
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	460,385
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	461,786
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	1,401
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	0
Building Fund to date	\$	6,083

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS

Help Needed for Little Sister's Lawn Party!
I will need about 10 youth or adults to help out on Sunday, October 20th, please let me know if you can help with either time slot. I will need 5 for 10:30-1:30 and 5 for 1:30-4:30. Need to know ASAP Thank You, Ms. Tina

Please start watching for emails for details for Santa's Workshop/Merry Mart!! We need to start thinking about our raffle basket and getting donations for them. Some ideas are Spa Day, Movie night, Snow day, Coffee Lover, Christmas theme, Kids basket of game, Arts and crafts just to name a few. I'm always open to ideas. All proceeds help our youth with their summer service camp. All donations welcome and we will create a basket with it.

PRIESTER's Fundraising Sales are going well! Please pick up your order form if you haven't already.
Remember this fundraiser helps you with your camp fees

UPCOMING MEETINGS /EVENTS:

- Oct. 13th** – Parish Picnic
- Oct. 20th** – Little Sister's Lawn Party

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.

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Come and see! The RCIA Process began 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.

If you are interested in being an **RCIA sponsor**, please contact Deacon Norman or Jan Murray. There will be an organizational meeting in the coming weeks.



PARISH LIFE BINGO will be **Saturday, October 5th** in Jennings Hall. The doors will open at 6:30pm. Adults and Children are invited. We will have a concession stand with hotdogs, drinks, and etc. Come enjoy the **FUN!!**



CONGRATULATIONS to our newly baptized member: Walter George Owen (parents: Nicholas & Andrea Owen).



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS:
Jeremy & Emily Vinson, and their son Jonathan.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to thank our Parishioners for their generous contribution to Our Good Samaritan Program. Since implementing this Program in February, we have received **\$2,310** in Goodwill Easter Seals Gift Certificates for our Friends in Need. By turning in the Yellow Card when you take boxes to Goodwill results in an abundance of help for our Needy. Thank you so much for your great contribution to this Program.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

September 29 we will begin reading Dr. Brant Pitre's book, *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary*. The book is available at Amazon and other online booksellers for about \$15.

Please join us in the library between the Masses on Sundays for discussion, doughnuts and coffee. For more information please contact Eileen Rettig at emrettig@aol.com or 661-8619.

CHRIST THE KING MEDAL NOMINATION FORMS will be in the pews this weekend so you can recommend someone who has shown outstanding service to the parish. You can only be nominated once for this honor; so the form will list the former honorees to help you with your selection. The medal will be presented to the honoree by Archbishop Rodi during the Feast of Christ the King celebrated on Sunday, November 24th.



SAVE THE DATE!
Our Parish Picnic will be **Sunday, October 13th**.
Watch for all the exciting details!

PRIESTER'S PECANS

It's that time a year again! Our Savior Youth will be selling Priester's Pecans as a fundraiser to help Our Youth attend their Annual Summer Service Camp with Alive in You. If you would like to place an order please see Tina in the office. This year we will be selling: 1 lb. bags of Pecan Halves, Pecan Pieces, Roasted & Salted Pecan Halves and Honey Glazed Pecan Halves for \$16.50

1 lb. bags of Praline & Milk Chocolate Pecan Halves for \$11
1 lb. Bags of Snack Mixes- Back Country, Roasted & Salted Nut Mix, Blueberry Nut Crunch and Health Nut for \$12

Gift Tins – Classic Cheese Straws & Pecan Cheese Straws \$17
Sweet & Salty Tin \$20 & Pecan Variety Pinwheel \$15

New this year 1 lb. bag of Roasted Peanuts \$5.50

Last but not least our Pecan Pies- 9" Pecan Pie and 9" Chocolate Pecan Pie \$14 3" Mini Old-Fashion Pecan Pies \$2 each or 3/\$5 (these are already selling very quickly almost sold out)

Thank You for your **SUPPORT!**

DISASTER RELIEF FUND

The Archdiocese asked that in order to assist the victims of Hurricane Dorian, and any other natural disasters for the remainder of this year that each parish take up a special collection within the next few weeks. These funds will also help with the rebuilding of churches that were impacted by any natural disaster this year. We will have a special collection this weekend **September 28th – 29th** to help natural disasters for the year of 2019.



BOX OF JOY BOXES: Every year, thousands of poor children experience a Christmas without hope. These are children who never receive a picture book, never wear a new shirt or own a new toy. Participating is easy! We will be in the back of the church the weekend of **Oct. 19th & 20th**. Please stop by and pick up a box. All boxes must be returned no later than **November 6th**. They can be dropped at the office or in the back of the church. Any questions please contact Tina @ 251-633-6762 x 205.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING for new altar servers, and any server who wants a refresher, will be held from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on **Sunday, October 6th** in the church. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church.

"Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you."

– St. Thomas Aquinas