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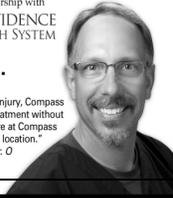
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PRAYER REQUESTS: Life can be difficult at times and we all need prayer. If you wish to place someone on the prayer list, please contact Mary in the parish office. The only thing we ask of you is to please let us know if this person has either recovered,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



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!



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 x 203.



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.

Ushers Needed

Are you willing to serve?

We are in need of ushers especially at our 5:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses, but we welcome volunteers at all Masses. An usher is the first person you see when entering the church as they greet you on your arrival and the last one you see as you leave. It is an awesome privilege to not only welcome people to the church, but being for others a representative of a welcoming and gracious God. For more information, please contact Bill Wakefield or the parish office at office@oursaviorparish.org

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!!

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.

STAFF

Father David Tokarz, Pastor
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: 5:00 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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CHURCH ADDRESS

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Boy Scouts: James Alexander
Cub Scouts: Edward Nehls
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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

Parish Office office@oursaviorparish.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 24, 2019



TO JESUS CHRIST, OUR SOVEREIGN KING

What is (or should be) a king? Let's examine the description of true royalty supplied by C S Lewis in the penultimate volume of *The Chronicles of Narnia—The Magician's Nephew*.

After a series of bizarre adventures that led to bringing the evil Queen Jadis of Charn (aka, the White Witch) to newly-created Narnia, a cab-driver accidentally involved in the events (along with his wife) hear Aslan tell them: *"My children...you are to be the first King and Queen of Narnia."* They are dumbfounded, but Aslan questions them about His ideas of kingship:

"...can you use a spade and a plow and raise food out of the earth? Can you treat these creatures kindly and fairly, remembering that they are... Talking Beasts and free subjects? And would you bring up your children and grandchildren to do the same? And you wouldn't have favorites either among your own children or among the other creatures or let any hold another under or use it hardly? And if enemies come...and there was war, would you be the first in the charge and the last in the retreat? Then you will have done all that a King should do." How might we apply all this to Jesus?

It seems Jesus knew all about basic hard work—a carpenter Himself, familiar with hard work, He knew about husbandry as shown by His parables (mustard seed, setting a hand to the plow, weeds and wheat, sower and seed, etc). Hands-on is the regal style of Jesus.

Treating others kindly and fairly is the essence of Jesus' mission: to seek and save what was lost: a sheep, a coin, a son, a tax collector, a woman caught in adultery, a leper, a blind man; those who mourn, who long for justice, who are meek, peace-makers, single-hearted. "I have come that they might have life, and have it in abundance (John 10:10).

Jesus opposed using others hardly—think of the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, or the "call" of Zacchaeus, the Good Samaritan, the Samaritan woman at the well. Eucharistic Prayer #4 is eloquent here: "For you came in mercy to the aid of all, that those who seek might find you."

In the context of war, there is no greater example than Jesus' single-combat with the Enemy which led to the Cross and the Enemy's seeming victory, but which in fact was the ultimate overthrow of the kingdom of death. Jesus was indeed the first in the charge, and there was no need for retreat! The gates of hell are broken, the gates of heaven thrown open. This Jesus is indeed the King of kings, the Lord of lords. His is the Kingdom (as we say in the Creed) that has no end. This is the Kingdom not of this world but of the eternal and ultimate world of fullness of life. Let me invert Milton's statement from *Paradise Lost*: "Better to serve in heaven than to reign in hell." This is our King: noble, gracious, merciful, just, good.

Jesus Christ reigns as King while sorting out the sheep and goats; He reigns as King condemned by Pilate; He reigns as King while granting forgiveness to the repentant criminal at Calvary. His is a royal dignity showing mercy and rewarding those who have shown mercy.

Christ is our King! Let all rejoice—brothers and sisters, with one voice, let the world know He is OUR choice—ALLELUIA!

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	Manuela Golden	Jeb Shell
Joyce Bills	Rose Marie Kervin	Kathy Sirak
Keith Bumpers	Monica Knight	Mary Ann Stanley
Lisa Brazell	Rady Laron	Joe Vegliacich
Annie Ruth Chappell	Mary Lozano	Bradley Wells
Mason Coker	Myrtis Mooney	Elaine Zoller
Judy Courtney	Marsha Naman	
Leah Dees	Michael Nelson	
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FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Gloria Snow 11/1/08	Claude Antoine 11/20/83
Shirley Hall 11/1/16	Andrea Skeel 11/20/18
Lois Ann Hof 11/3/12	Josephine Thomas 11/24/10
Charles Roberts 11/4/09	Wayne Hall 11/19/13
Donna Mihalsky 11/4/18	Kelley Powell 11/20/07
Adam Pigott 11/5/11	James Fisher 11/23/12
Adela Villanueva 11/5/15	Marguerite Oden 11/24/14
La Sonia Wintzell 11/6/14	Michael Pukac 11/24/03
Ginger Sliney 11/6/15	Charlie Keegan 11/24/10
Pete Fulda 11/7/11	Milt Rumsey 11/24/17
Fraser Landreneau 11/7/11	Denise Sweeney 11/25/11
James W. Duffy 11/8/08	Tom Baker 11/26/01
Murray Driskell 11/8/16	Jerry Whisenhunt 11/25/08
Marcel Dionne 11/9/15	Ronald Scott 11/26/03
Shirley Bright 11/10/08	Mary McBee 11/26/10
Audrey Fitzmorris 11/10/09	Valerie Moore Carpenter 11/26/65
Vernon L.Barfield 11/11/01	Joan Willis 11/26/17
Mike Alberts 11/13/18	Sue Rogers 11/26/17
Jo Ann Gregory 11/14/13	Mark Alberts 11/27/12
Alan Gwin 11/14/06	Anthony F. Manzella, 11/27/14
Susanna Wise 11/14/04	Frances Russell 11/28/09
Ann Reynolds 11/14/07	Norbert (Red) Grindel 11/28/12
Frederick Meyer 11/14/14	Charles Oberkirch 11/28/14
Annette Thompson 11/15/10	Catherine Fullerton 11/28/17
Patricia Tohill 11/16/13	Myrtle Rumsey 11/28/18
Tom Langan Sr. 11/17/08	Don Vernon 11/29/10
Gene Villarrubia 11/17/07	James Clifford Carpenter 11/29/16
Gilbert Moore 11/17/18	Melvin Watson 11/29/17
Augusto Alcocer 11/17/18	Dianne Moore 11/30/11

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday	RE (9:45) a.m. AE (9:45) a.m. Widow's Web (1:00 p.m.)
Monday	Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Line Dancing (6:30 p.m.) Contemplative prayer (7:00 p.m.)
Tuesday	Centering Prayer (10:30 a.m.) Church Handmade Hugs (1:00 p.m.) Men of St. Joseph (6:00 p.m.)
Wednesday	Adoration (9:00 a.m.—Noon) Scouts (6:30 p.m.) Choir (7:00 p.m.)
Thursday	Office Closed Food Blessing (8:30 a.m.) Church
Friday	Office Closed

NEIGHBOR CENTER ANGEL TREE: Newly released inmates face many adversities and obstacles for successfully transitioning back to the community. To help make this transition a little easier we are asking for support with your donations. Please select an ornament from the tree which lists suggestions. The tree will be located in the back of the church this weekend starting **Saturday, November 16th**. Your donations must be dropped off by **Sunday, November 24th** in the collection box there. Please be generous.

 **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** **Saturday, December 7th** from 9:00 -10:30 a.m. in Jennings Hall. Coffee, donuts, and orange juice. Bring your camera!!

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE will be celebrated on Sunday, December 15th with rosary at 4:30 pm, Songs of Joy at 5:30 pm, and Mass at 6pm followed by a dinner in Jennings Hall.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS:

Tuan & Thuy Nguyen and
Agnes Reid

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday	5:00 pm: Peter, Vinh Nguyen (d)
Sunday	8:30 am: People of the Parish
	11:00 am: Linda Behr (d)
Tuesday	8:30 am: Peter, Vinh Nguyen (d)
Wednesday	8:30 am: Anthony Allulli (d)
Thursday	8:30 am: Jim & Josephine Licari (d)
Friday	8:30 am: Ron Roberts (d)

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READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat.	Reading 1: 1 Maccabees 6:1-13 Gospel: Luke 20:27-40
Sun.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 (162C) Reading 2: Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel: Luke 23:35-43
Mon.	Reading 1: Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 Gospel: Luke 21:1-4
Tues.	Reading 1: Daniel 2:31-45 Gospel: Luke 21:5-11
Wed.	Reading 1: Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Gospel: Luke 21:12-19
Thurs.	Reading 1: Sirach 50:22-24 (943.2) Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 (944.1) Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 (947.6)
Fri.	Reading 1: Daniel 7:2-14 Gospel: Luke 21:29-33

KNIGHT'S KORNER

Hello fellow parishioners. We would like to remind you of our parish appreciation dinner to be held on Dec. 7th after the 5pm Mass. It is also the when we will have our final raffle drawing for \$1000! This would make a nice Christmas present for some lucky person. The good news it's still not too late to buy your tickets. The revenue we get goes to provide worthwhile services to the parish and other Catholic entities such as Box of Joy program, Little Sisters of the Poor Lawn Party, and diocesan vocations. We are so thankful to be a part of this parish community and truly appreciate your support. We wish a Happy Thanksgiving as we all have so much to be thankful to God for. Vivat Jesus!!

RAFFLE TICKETS: We have had our eighth out of nine draws for this year's raffle. There is only the final regular drawing and the big prize left. We still have tickets to sell so if you are interested, or you can convince anyone else, please see a Knight. If you want to see the drawing on the last night, it will be December 7th in Jennings Hall. 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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION this weekend for Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous.

K OF C PARISH APPRECIATION SPAGHETTI DINNER will be **Saturday, December 7th** after the 5:00 pm Mass in Jennings Hall. They will be serving a delicious dinner plus this will be the final drawing for \$1000. You do not have to be present to win. Everyone is invited to come; so don't miss it.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: St. Vincent De Paul Society will be at the doors after the Masses on November 30th and December 1st with their bright blue buckets to accept your donations. Thank you for your generosity over the years as you continue to help our Friends in Need.

Anticipated Offering Income	\$ 12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$ 10,295
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$ 557,308
Actual Offering Income to date	\$ 555,145
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$ (2,163)
Budget Offering Year	\$ 630,000
Building Fund this week	\$ 13
Building Fund to date	\$ 7,206

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Religious education classes are in session each Sunday in November. There are no RE classes on Sunday, December 1 due to the Thanksgiving weekend. The final classes for the first semester are December 8 and 15. Thank you for entrusting your children to us and for taking your responsibility as parents to raise up children in the faith so seriously. Attendance has been very good lately. We appreciate you!

CENTERING PRAYER AND THE FORGIVENESS PRAYER

A weekly prayer group with the focus on Centering Prayer and the Forgiveness Prayer will meet on Tuesday at 10:30 am. in the Quiet Room area of the Church. For information call Alex - 251-422-0540 or Gloria - 251-648-6521.

The annual Archdiocesan celebration of the **FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING** will be held this Sunday, November 24th, beginning at 10:30 a.m. in Bienville Square in downtown Mobile. The Christ the King Procession will walk west on Dauphin Street to Cathedral Square while reciting the Holy Rosary. Upon conclusion all will enter the Cathedral-Basilica of the Immaculate Conception where Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. During Mass, Archbishop Rodi will confer the annual Christ the King Medal to those selected by their pastor to be recognized for their exemplary service to the parish community. **Helen "Honey" Shirey** is this year's nominee for the annual 'Christ the King Medal'. Everyone is invited to participate in this celebration and witness to our faith and heritage.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS BRING your bread, wine or any other food item to be blessed at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Thanksgiving Day. Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving Holidays.

ADORATION on Wednesday, November 27th will be 9:00 a.m. until noon.

ANGEL TREE FOR HOMEBOUND AND NURSING HOME RESIDENTS will be setup starting next Saturday, November 30th. Please take a Christmas ornaments from the tree which will list that items for our homebound and nursing home residents. Elderly gifts should be placed in a Christmas gift bag **not** wrapped. Please return all gifts no later than **December 15th**.

2020 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES are on the table in the back of the church. Please remember to pick up your envelopes. If you would like to receive church envelopes and you do not find your name; you may contact the parish office or complete your information on the sign-up sheet in the back of the church.

"Let all creation help you to praise God. Give yourself the rest you need. When you are walking alone, listen to the sermon preached to you by the flowers, the trees, the shrubs, the sky, the sun and the whole world. Notice how they preach to you a sermon full of love, of praise of God, and how they invite you to proclaim the greatness of the one who has given them being."

— St. Paul of the Cross

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS

The **Merry Mart/ Santa's Workshop** is a fundraiser for our youth to attend Alive in You Summer Service Camp in 2020. Thanks to all those who supported, donated and volunteered with the Santa's Workshop. It was a huge **SUCCESS!**

Still working on the new date for the **Thanks for giving Dinner**, hoping to work it in sometime in January.

BREAKFAST with SANTA is Saturday, December 7th from 8:30-11. Looking for several volunteers to help with crafts, Santa's Workshop and I even need a few **ELVES** to help Santa.

PRIESTER's Fundraising Sales are going well! We are already sold out of a few items. We still have Pecan Halves \$16.50. Honey Glazed \$16.50, Praline Sugar \$11, Milk Chocolate \$11 and several bags of Snack mixes \$12. They are going fast but we still have Pecan Pies 9" Chocolate \$14 and the new favorite Traditional Mini Pies \$2 each or 3/\$5. New this year Roasted & Salted Peanut \$5.50 and we still have a few Cheese Straw Tins left \$17.

UPCOMING MEETINGS /EVENTS:

November 28th – Happy Thanksgiving

December 7th – Breakfast with Santa

December 8th – Youth Christmas Party (more info 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.

PRIESTER'S PECANS

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.

Thank You to everyone who has supported us with Our Priester's Pecan Fundraiser. We still have a few items left to sell. They make great hostess gifts and teacher gifts.

1 lb. bags of 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- Roasted & Salted Nut Mix, Blueberry Nut Crunch and Health Nut for \$12

Gift Tins – Classic Cheese Straws \$17

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

Last but not least our Pecan Pies-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!**

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Adult Religious Education Join us this Sunday, November 24, December 8 and December 15 to help prepare for Christmas by reading and discussing Dr. Edward Sri's book *The Dawn of the Messiah*. Amazon has a paperback version for about \$15 and a kindle version for about \$10. Dr. Sri looks at the scriptures concerning the birth of Jesus. The first chapter treats the birth of John the Baptist. Please join us for doughnuts and coffee even if you chose not to get the book. We have lively discussions. For more information contact Eileen Rettig at 661-8619 or emrettig@aol.com

ST JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS FOR 2020 are available for sale in the back of the church. The cost is \$5 each. This is an annual missal for parish participation. It contains the complete Masses for all Sundays and Holydays from the beginning of Advent through the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

BOX OF JOY

Thank You to everyone who donated to the Box of Joy Outreach Program. Our Savior collected 178 boxes. These boxes will bring Christmas Joy to those children in Haiti, Dominican Republic, Guatemala. We were also a drop off center for the Archdiocese of Mobile and received an additional 450 boxes for a total of 628 boxes to be shipped. Thank you to everyone who donated their time to help prepare these Boxes of Joy for shipment. We are truly Blessed here at Our Savior, Thank You again.