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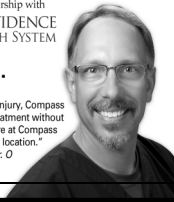
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Have you considered mentioning Our Savior parish in your will? Please help us continue our ministry by remembering us in your will.

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 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: 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
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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
Mary Marks, Office Manager
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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
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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



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 26, 2020



ARE WE ONE IN THE SPIRIT?

This is the end of the Week (originally, the Octave) of Prayer for Christian Unity. It ends on the 25th of January, the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, and it's a good time for us to pray for our own continued conversion to our Lord.

The concept goes back to 1908 and Rev Paul Wattson, a Graymoor Franciscan (Graymoors are still in the forefront of ecumenical activities. Also known as Atonement Friars, they run the important *Centro pro Unione*—Center for Unity— in Rome.) Wattson was himself a convert, and he thought that there was truth in a version of the old saying, “The family that prays together stays together.” His idea: “The family that prays together comes back together.” And so we pray. And in various places (like here at Our Savior this past Thursday) events are sponsored that encourage fraternal dialogue, understanding, and respect.

But I wonder: how much do Catholics really understand about the official teaching of the Catholic Church on our relations with other Christians? For example, we all know that the Catholic Church (as well as the Eastern Orthodox and Oriental Orthodox Churches) regard reception of the Eucharist as the seal of unity and not a vehicle for it: we do not practice “open communion.” But Vatican II teaches that the fundamental basis for being incorporated into the Body of Christ is not reception of Eucharist but of Baptism (*Lumen Gentium* 14). This means that Catholics, Lutherans, Methodists, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Baptists... being baptized in water in the Name of the Trinity are ALL members of the Body of Christ. It means that we are in a real, even if imperfect, communion” with one another (*Unitatis Redintegratio* 3). It means that we reject the language of “heretics and schismatics” who must repent and return; it means that we all, as “separated brethren,” must work together and move forward to that unity desired by Jesus (John 17:20-23), without which our witness and efforts of evangelization are compromised.

Can we come together effectively in the face of so many disagreements of substance—church polity (is the congregation in charge, or the pastor, or a bishop, or a pope?), sexuality (should we recognize and bless same-sex relationships?), life (how must we face the issue of abortion?) and so on. The future seems bleak in many ways. But I am reminded of the Gospel which was read a few days ago for the Memorial of St Anthony of the Desert, in response to the disciples’ question about being able to be saved (since the rich will have the hardest time). Jesus’ response: “For human beings it is impossible, but not for God; for God, all things are possible” (Matthew 19:26). And so we pray and work, and we beg that we be vehicles and not obstacles to His will and work.

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	
Michael Dees	Ashley Rickel	
Jesus Gallego	Vicki Scott	

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Annie Mae Rumph 1/1/11	Michael Tortora 1/16/15
Margot Bean 1/2/15	Charles Lankheit 1/16/13
Joyce Holub 1/3/11	Fela Quinones 1/17/16
William McAdam, Sr. 1/3/13	Joe Kress 1/18/2020
Floyd Williams 1/3/13	Elwin A Rozyskie 1/20/16
Kenny McGee 1/3/18	Lothar Zenkert 1/20/12
Bill Lovorn 1/4/11	Chris Barnett 1/20/09
Margaret Bruce 1/4/2020	Steve Allman 1/20/14
Dorothy Stone 1/5/09	Ted Noller 1/20/14
Jean Adams 1/6/06	Sarah Cubley 1/21/06
Betty Hulcher 1/7/17	Christopher Cubley 1/21/06
Charles Rouss 1/7/18	Stella DeZego 1/22/68
Cherry Porter 1/8/16	Raymond Smith 1/22/13
Stella Abella 1/8/01	Betty Jean Icard 1/22/18
Carla D'Amico 1/8/09	Nell Faulkner 1/24/08
James Tohill 1/8/17	Joseph Mortellaro 1/24/16
Michael Lloyd 1/8/14	Jo Ann Ming 1/24/16
Al Darring 1/8/18	Joseph A. Hantouche 1/25/16
Larry Huard 1/9/11	Joyce Jackson 1/26/03
Chris Huggins 1/9/14	Ed Ferry 1/26/99
Theodore Toth 1/9/17	Yvonne Hacker 1/26/19
James Puckett 1/10/13	Joan Pignong 1/27/11
Ron Roberts 1/11/11	Clarence Berry 1/27/12
Dennis Schneider 1/11/11	Anna Weber 1/27/19
Sonya Leach 1/13/09	Margaret O'Connor 1/28/10
Marion Hagen 1/13/14	Andrew Thoss 1/29/14
Rehophus Estes 1/13/15	Emile Noel 1/30/04
Ida Watson 1/13/04	Beverly Tullis 1/30/13
Nora "Kitt" Hewlett 1/15/94	
Norman Foster 1/15/15	

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday	RE (9:45 a.m.) AE (9:45 a.m.)
Monday	Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Line Dancing (7:00 p.m.)
Tuesday	Centering Prayer (10:30 a.m.) 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.) Choir (7:00 p.m.)
Thursday	Catholics Returning Home (7:00 p.m.) K of C Officer's mtg (7:00 p.m.)
Friday	Singing Needles (10:30 a.m.)



SAVE the DATE!

We have rescheduled Our
Thanks for Giving Dinner for **Saturday, January 25th**
Jennings Hall 6:30 p.m.
Our Savior Youth would like to invite all those 55 & older to the
Thanks for Giving Dinner
to Thank You for all your support & prayers!
Sign up sheets are in the back of the Church.

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday	5:00 p.m.: Bradly Wells (l)
Sunday	8:30 a.m.: Vernon Barfield (d) 11:00 a.m.: People of the Parish
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.: Jim & Josephine Licari (d)
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.: Rita Williamson (d)
Thursday	8:30 a.m.: Renee Nicholas (d)
Friday	8:30 a.m.: Steven Allman (d)



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PRAYER INTENTIONS POPE FRANCIS

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat.	Reading 1: Acts of the Apostles 22:3-16 Gospel: Mark 16:15-18
Sun.	Reading 1: Isaiah 8:23-9:3 (67A) Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17 Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23
Mon.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10 Gospel: Mark 3:22-30
Tues.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19 Gospel: Mark 3:31-35
Wed.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 7:4-17 Gospel: Mark 4:1-20
Thurs.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29 Gospel: Mark 4:21-25
Fri.	Reading 1: 2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION We will continue to discuss Dr. Edward Sri's book *Dawn of the Messiah* hoping to finish it by the Mardi Gras break. Please join us for coffee, doughnuts, and lively discussions in the parish library between the Sunday Masses. For more information contact Eileen Rettig at emrettig@aol.com or 251-661-8619.

FREE ONLINE NEW LENTEN SERIES

METANOIA: A Journey with Christ into conversion. This ten part series begins February 3rd and ends Holy Week. It features Father David Pivonka, TOR, President of Franciscan University of Steubenville and founder of Ministry of the Wild Goose. Beautifully filmed in the Holy Land. Journey into a season of grace, hope, repentance and transformation! thewildgooseisloose.com

Judy Adams

KNIGHT'S KORNER

GREETINGS FELLOW PARISHIONERS This week marks the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision to legalize abortion. The Knights have been totally supportive of the Pro Life movement participating in numerous Pro Life activities throughout the years. One we're particularly proud of is our Ultrasound initiative. To date we have donated 1000 ultrasound machines to Pro Life centers throughout the world. This has resulted in many saved children. We continue to pray that one day the abortion decision will be repealed! Many of us will participate in the online Novena for Life happening this week!! Vivat Jesus!!

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	9,552
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	36,346
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	35,180
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	(1,166)
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	69
Building Fund to date	\$	686

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Religious education classes are in session January 26 and February 2, 9, 16. There is no class on Sunday, February 23 due to Mardi Gras.

MOBILE DEANERY ACCW Winter Quarterly Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 29th.

Place: St Thomas Catholic Church
(251 N. Craft Hwy, Chickasaw, AL 36611)

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 January 17th with Carlee Russell 251-533-4771 or Betty Robertson 251-423-5138

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING 2020

Our Savior Youth is holding their annual food drive to help St. Vincent DePaul stock their food pantry. Last year we were able to help 240 families, a total of 717 family members. Without your help we may not have been able to help these families. Last year we collected over 14,000 nonperishable food items. We would LOVE your support again this year.

Our Savior Youth will be at the back of the church the weekend of February 1st & 2nd handing out Souper Bowl of Caring Bags !

We also set up an online giving with You Give Goods, by donating online they will email you a tax receipt for your purchase.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DONATING ONLINE:

- (1) yougivegoods.com (click on the link)
 - (2) click on Donate to Causes
 - (3) Search by Food then hit search
 - (4) Look for Our Savior Youth's Souper Bowl of Caring 2020 (should be a picture of our church)
 - (5) Click on picture then click on shop now
- All goods ordered online will be shipped directly to Our Savior at the end of our drive.

CENTERING PRAYER AND THE FORGIVENESS PRAYER

A weekly prayer group with the focus on Centering Prayer and the Forgiveness Prayer meets 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.

"If the heart wanders or is distracted [during prayer], bring it back to the point quite gently and replace it tenderly in its Master's presence. And even if you did nothing during the whole of your hour but bring your heart back and place it again in Our Lord's presence, though it went away every time you brought it back, your hour would be very well employed."

— St. Francis de Sales, *Introduction to the Devout Life*

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS

Alive in You Updates

Just a reminder if you haven't already sent in your original \$100 deposit please do so as soon as possible.

Your next payment will be due by January 15th \$120.

We have rescheduled the Thanks for Giving Dinner for Saturday, January 25th @6:30 in Jennings Hall.

I will need 4 or 5 youth/parents to help serve, please let me know ASAP if you can help.

Starting in January we will begin to gear up for the Souper Bowl of Caring Project to help fill our St. Vincent DePaul's food pantry. Our first meeting will be Saturday, January 25th from 10-Noon in Jennings Hall.

UPCOMING MEETINGS /EVENTS:

January 25th – Souper Bowl of Caring work day - Jennings Hall 10-NOON & Set up for the Thanks for Giving Dinner

January 25th – 5:30 set up 6:30-8 server & clean up, more details later

January 26th – Souper Bowl of Caring work day – Jennings if needed 12:30-1:30

February 2nd – Deliver Bags to surrounding areas – 12:30- 3:30 (will need adult drivers to help out)

February 8th – Pick up bags and sort in Jennings Hall – 9:30 – 1:30

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.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME If you have friends or family who were baptized Catholic but not receiving the sacraments regularly, now is the time to invite them home to stay. Our Savior is having a free and informal six week series that meets once a week on **Thursday at 7:00 p.m. until February 13th**. There is no fee, dress code or obligation to participate. For more information call Judy Pukac at 251-648-3024.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Today is Catholic Charities Appeal Sunday! In every parish across the archdiocese, each parishioner is asked to prayerfully consider making a pledge to the 2020 Catholic Charities Appeal. Catholic Charities distributes millions of dollars to sustain Catholic programs, services and ministries across our archdiocese. The basic Pledge is \$576 per year. We ask that everyone complete and return a pledge envelope and give what you can. If you prefer to donate online, you can text "CCA" to 91999 for a link. We hope you will answer the Call to Give to those in need through your prayerful generosity to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal.

Please, help Our Savior meet our goal of \$129,500 this year and obtain 100% participation.

WE HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING TO DATE:

37 Pledges Received
\$36,500 Amount Pledged

PRAY for Joe Kress who died January 18th. May he rest in peace.