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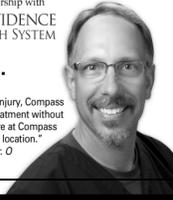
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GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC MASS

General Dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is still in effect.

1. If you feel sick or have been in contact with someone exposed to COVID-19: STAY HOME! There is no obligation to attend Mass if you are ill. This dispensation applies also if you are healthy but cannot get in to Mass.
2. If you are high-risk (age, underlying conditions, other issues) you are welcome and encouraged to stay at home. We will continue to live-stream Masses during this time.
3. No more than 31 households will be able to attend. A "household" can be a single person living alone, or a couple, or parents (or single parents) with children.
4. Reservations will need to be made to attend. No reservations will be accepted over voice mail.
5. You will be required to check in with an usher at a table on the porch of the church. At all times, we must respect social distancing.
6. Masks are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED. PLEASE wear one coming to Mass. Please do NOT wear gloves.
7. Do not bring in personal items (cell phones, purses). We want to minimize the risk of contamination.
8. Hand sanitizing entering church is required. We'll supply the sanitizer at the check-in table.
9. Ushers will seat you. Please follow their lead.
10. Once in a row, a "household" has to remain there; no wandering around. If your little ones can't manage this, perhaps it will be time to leave them at home.
11. The Quieting Room is limited to one family only.
12. There will be no holy water for individuals at this point.
13. The collection basket will be on the floor in front of the baptismal pool. Just drop in your envelopes.
14. Please follow ushers' leads for Holy Communion, to guarantee safe flow of people. NO masks when coming to receive the Sacrament.
15. QUIET singing will be the rule. Singing sprays droplets much farther than speaking.
16. Follow ushers' leads in leaving the church after Mass. Once again, we must respect social distancing, including on all of the church property. NO gatherings in the courtyard or porch or parking lot.
17. Restrooms and water fountains are off limits. No hearing aids will be available.
18. We will be disinfecting after Mass. This is a burden for our ushers; if you are willing to volunteer to help, please call the church office.
19. In all things, everywhere on church property, inside and outside, respect social distancing!
20. If we cannot follow these guidelines, we will have no choice but to stop "public Masses." This is our way of respecting not only the health and safety of our parishioners, but also those of our community who might be in contact with our people. If we can follow the guidelines (especially with social distancing and disinfecting) there's the possibility of more weekend Masses. If not, then not.

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
Daniel Driskell, 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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Parish Life Activities: Dolores Hale
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Faithful Navigator Assembly 2918
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Parish Council: Vicki Wakefield
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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



**Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
July 5, 2020**



FREE AT LAST?

Let me begin by quoting the end of the legendary speech of Dr Martin Luther King Jr in Washington, DC: *“When we allow freedom to ring-when we let it ring from every city and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God’s children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, “Free at last, Free at last, Great God a-mighty, “We are free at last.”*

But I think Dr King got it wrong.

In place of his use of the word “free,” he really should have said “freed.” There’s a subtle but important difference here.

From what do we need to be freed? Well, since some people don’t like the phrase “systemic racism,” let me offer an alternative: “socially racial.” Even though some of my examples are for some the “ancient past,” let me offer them:

- What, exactly, was Rosa Parks’ crime?
- Why was the appearance of Jackie Robinson in a Dodgers uniform so important?
- Why was Henry Aaron so hated when he hit home run #715?
- What was the thinking behind the Supreme Court decision for “separate but equal” (even ignoring that there never was any equality, only separation)?
- Why did George Wallace stand in the doorway of the University of Alabama?

What we need to be freed from is the idea that the color of one’s skin should matter at all; to quote Dr King’s speech again, what should be of paramount importance is “the content of one’s character.” And we should be committed to helping everyone develop that content to the highest degree possible. As Catholic Worker co-founder Peter Maurin put it, “Society should be structured so that it is easy to be good.” If we are all brothers and sisters because we are all children of God, we should be willing to act on it, and to do everything possible to make sure that the most vulnerable among us (unborn, migrants, elderly, people of color) have the extra leg up to succeed as human beings with God-given dignity.

What about being “free”? Sadly, this is already with us.

We are endowed with the capacity to choose—we are blessed (or cursed) by our Creator with “free will.” It has been exercised for the benefit of countless selves and others throughout millennia; it has also been abused by countless others. These choices are choices to hate, most often based on self-centeredness.

Are we genetically pre-disposed to bigotry and hate? No, I don’t think so. But are we culturally conditioned to bigotry and hate? Yes, I’m afraid this is often the case. Are we free to embrace this conditioning? Yes, unfortunately. Are we willing to be freed from it? This is the question of the hour. Let’s ask, once again: what would Jesus do?

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
Keith Bumpers	Rose Marie Kervin	Kathy Sirak
Lisa Brazell	Monica Knight	Mary Ann Stanley
Annie Ruth Chappell	Rady Laron	Joe Vegliacich
Mason Coker	Myrtis Mooney	Bradley Wells
Judy Courtney	Marsha Naman	Elaine Zoller
Leah Dees	Michael Nelson	
Michael Dees	Ashley Rickel	
Jesus Gallego	Vicki Scott	

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Rose Varnado 7/1/14	Arve Henriksen, Jr. 7/18/19
Robert Hagen 7/1/14	Mary Palughi 7/19/15
Dorothy Laverne Hall 7/1/15	Geraldine Pawlowski 7/20/09
Sally Bozonelos 7/1/19	Alfredo Paul Piccini 7/20/11
Dora Schneider 7/2/11	William Tohill 7/20/17
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Lee Whatley 7/4/07	John Zambrano 7/23/98
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Ascenth Guterrez 7/11/09	Mary Dewitt 7/28/09
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Logan Gooden 7/14/08	Sara Broderick 7/28/05
William Wills 7/14/09	James "Jim" Crane 7/29/18
Jean Delsatio 7/16/12	Nancy Lindell 7/30/12
Dollie Garrett 7/16/09	Winard Bautista 7/30/15
Waring Botter 7/14/02	Lucy Lipari 7/31/10
John Mulrooney 7/16/14	David Stewart 7/31/19
Joel Labbe 7/18/06	

MASS INTENTIONS

As you know, during this time there is no Saturday 5:00 p.m. & Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. We wanted to let those of you who paid for a Mass intention at those times know how we are handling those intentions. We can only have 1 paid intention for any Mass, but we can mention other intentions. Therefore, Mass intentions for the Saturday 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m. Masses that are cancelled will be mentioned at the Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass. These intentions will continue to be shown in the bulletin. We are maintaining a list of these paid intentions for cancelled Masses for rescheduling at a later date.

NEED PRAYER OR

DO YOU WANT TO HELP PRAY FOR OTHERS?



Do you know of someone sick or lonely who may be in need of prayer? Are you looking for a way to get involved while we are all under a stay at home mandate? Our Savior has a group who would be happy to pray for you or would welcome your help with praying for others in need. We may not be able to get involved directly in the other ministries right now but we can still help through prayer. Prayer is a way for us to reach out to others by putting aside our own loneliness and pain for the sake of another. If you are interested in joining our **Prayer Chain Group** or need prayer yourself, please contact Audrey Cline or Mary in the parish office



ST VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY will reopen starting Monday, July 6th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For the safety of the clients and the volunteers; new guidelines will be posted on the front door of Jennings Hall. The Food Pantry will then return to the normal schedule of Monday and Thursday 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

"You know well enough that Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love with which we do them."— St. Therese of Lisieux

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm: Tom Karcher (d)
Sunday 8:30 am: Henry Graveman (d)
11:00 am: People of the Parish
Tuesday 8:30 am: Vives B. Lemmon, Jr. (d)
Wednesday 8:30 am: Belt Reed Family (l)
Thursday 8:30 am: James Holley (d)
Friday 8:30 am: Brian Higgins (d)



Advertiser of the Week

PRAYER INTENTIONS POPE FRANCIS

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat. Reading 1: Amos 9:11-15
Gospel: Matthew 9:14-17
Sun. Reading 1: Zechariah 9:9-10 (100A)
Reading 2: Romans 8:9, 11-13
Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30
Mon. Reading 1: Hosea 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22
Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26
Tues. Reading 1: Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13
Gospel: Matthew 9:32-38
Wed. Reading 1: Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12
Gospel: Matthew 10:1-7
Thurs. Reading 1: Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9
Gospel: Matthew 10:7-15
Fri. Reading 1: Hosea 14:2-10
Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23

KNIGHT'S KORNER

During these times we, the Our Savior Knights of Columbus, still pray that you are all safe and well. We hope that you are also following all the recommended guidelines to keep yourself and all the rest of us safe.

We have had our third drawing. To this point, we have only sold a little more tickets than we had as of last month. It has been difficult to sell tickets hampered as we all have been. But since we are making inroads in the "war on Covid-19" we are doing a little better. But if you all want to buy another three or four tickets each we won't mind.

We still have six more drawings to go. Good luck to all of us. 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.

Our Savior Knights of Columbus

CONFESSIONS: Fr David will hear confessions on Saturday from 4 to 5 p.m. on the church porch, and also by appointment.

"At the end of our life we shall be judged by charity."

— St. Paul of the Cross

Anticipated Offering Income	\$ 12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$ 5,695
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$ 315,000
Actual Offering Income to date	\$ 296,894
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$ (18,106)
Budget Offering Year	\$ 630,000
Building Fund this week	\$ 85
Building Fund to date	\$ 3,521
Temascalapa	\$ 6,605

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Religious education classes for grades K-12: There is no information to date regarding the start of classes for the fall. Catechists and assistants are needed. Please contact Jan Murray at 633-6762, x 206 to volunteer.

RCIA: Congratulations to Bill Espanola, Mark Kubala, Sherry Kubala, Michele Schuler, and Jonah Solano who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday! We rejoice with you and look forward to encouraging your involvement in parish activities.

Anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or learning more about the Catholic faith should contact Jan Murray at 633-6762, x206. Feel free to invite all your friends and neighbors!

First Eucharist will be celebrated on Saturday, July 25, at 11:00 a.m. We will follow the present guidelines for attending Mass at Our Savior which include wearing masks, social distancing, and one household per pew.

Adult Education: Stay tuned for information regarding classes in the fall. Eileen Rettig is investigating several options.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Catholics are encouraged to make a Spiritual Communion. Spiritual Communion is the desiring of Jesus Christ to enter our heart when we are unable for various reasons to receive actual Holy Communion. Pope Francis has urged Catholics to perform Spiritual Communion during the COVID-19 pandemic. This practice was established in the Church for centuries and recommended by several saints.

Act of Spiritual Communion *St. Alphonsus Liguori*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

OUR SAVIOR LIVE-STREAMING MASSES

We will be **live-streaming Daily Mass** on Tuesday-Friday at 8:30 a.m. and **Sunday Mass** at 11:00 a.m. on Facebook.

Two ways to view the Masses:

- 1) Go to our website www.oursaviorparish.org and select resources menu at the top, and then click on the link "Daily Mass".
- 2) Log into Facebook and search for Our Savior Catholic Church. Please make sure you click on follow us on Facebook to get notices when a video is posted.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS

Stay Well and Healthy
As of now all youth activities are canceled until further notice. I'll be sending out emails to keep you updated on what's happening with Youth Ministry.
Watch for email updates,
Ms. Tina
Youth group is open to all Middle School Youth Group 6th-8th grade & High School Youth Group 9th-12th grade. Please contact Ms. Tina at youth@oursaviorparish.org or 251-633-6762 x 205, if you have any questions.



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For the web site go to www.oursaviorparish.org then click on the Online Giving link. It's quick and easy!

For the mobile app go to the App Store and search for Online Giving and register with Our Savior Catholic Church.

PLEASE KEEP DONATING TO GOODWILL EASTER-SEALS GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

ALL DONATION CENTERS WITH RETAIL LOCATIONS ARE OPEN DAILY 10:00 AM - 6:00PM, Azalea Road, Airport Road, Schillinger Road, Tillman's Corner and Moffett Road

YELLOW DONATION FORMS are available in the Parish Office but please call ahead. Please turn your yellow donation form into Goodwill when donating. This allows Our Savior and Saint Vincent de Paul Society to receive \$5 gift certificates for our Friends in Need. **THANK YOU, PARISHIONERS,** for your participation and generosity. Please contact Christina Richie should you have any questions.

TEMASCALAPA APPEAL Keep the Children in School

(St Francis of Assisi Parish, Temascalapa, Mexico)

If you want to help the school children in our sister parish in Temascalapa, Mexico, financially, send a check made payable to Our Savior and mark on the check for *sister parish in Mexico*. Give whatever you can. It takes an average of \$135 a year to keep a child in school. You may give online by going to our web site and clicking on "online giving", and then selecting *Temascalapa*.