

Dear Beloved People of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

For second week in a row, we have Gospel passages that begin with reference to rich men. Last week's emphasized the point that we are to anchor our lives in the goodness of God rather than anything or anyone else. Today's focuses more on how those with more than they need are to share at least some of their surplus with the poor. In each case, is it possible that Jesus might have been telling these parables about Himself?

Last week the rich man fired his steward. The steward had what it took to figure out a way to take care of Himself. The reality of being fired could be a symbol that Jesus was put to death because people who had set their own system of security (great wealth or slavish fulfillment of every little detail of the law) refused to accept Jesus' message to let go of their false security and follow His example of placing full security in the blessings of God.

In addressing today's parable to the Pharisees, Jesus is addressing anyone and everyone who rejects the message of Jesus that our fulfillment is in putting our trust in the gifts of God. Some of the Pharisees were blinded from seeing how their ways could not possibly bring them fulfillment and peace. This blindness is effectively made clear as the rich man in today's Gospel doesn't seem to see the poor man at his door. Before we beat up these Pharisees too much, we ask ourselves how clearly and consistently we see the many people who are waiting for us to provide immediate help as well as to transform the various systems that have people end up in such dire circumstances.

Given that both the rich and poor man die, we are called to reflect on what it might be to motivate and empower us to do what we can to see to the needs of the poor. As an aside, because the Gospel says that the rich man after his death was suffering torment in flames is not proof that there is a hell, and, even if there is one, that it involves torment from fire. The conversation between the rich man in torment and Abraham is wonderfully dramatic and powerful. At least a smile ought to come on our faces as we reflect on the rich man wanting to save his brothers from the misery he is experiencing. What does it take for people to realize what life is about?

As Jesus Himself stated, His message was not new. We see in the Gospels how Moses and the prophets are pictured as the forerunners of Jesus. Today's first reading is from one such prophet who could not say it any more clearly that the gifts and blessings of God are not to provide anyone with excessive luxury and living. Our psalm states that God sustains the fatherless and the widow. We are to do likewise. Jesus was born to be the example of what each of us is capable of when we place our trust in God as He did, which empowered Him to go against the ways of His society and culture. He didn't like being ignored, ridiculed, tortured and left to die miserably any more than any of us does. Given His confidence in the goodness of God, He lives on and asks us to believe the same will be true for us as we follow His example.

~Fr. Roman

Schedule for the week of September 29th—October 5th

<u>Sunday-September 29th</u>		
8:15 am	CFF K-5th Grade	Y 3
9:30am	Early Childhood	St. Cecilia rm.
10:15am	CFF K-5th Grade	Y 3
4:00pm	EDGE	Hospitality
4:15pm	CFF K—5th Grade	Y 1
5:30pm	NEW Sunday Evening Mass	Church
6:30pm	LIFETEEN	Y 2
<u>Monday-September 30th</u>		
6:00pm	Rosary Group	Church
7:00pm	Fr. Roman's small faith group	Church
<u>Tuesday-October 1st</u>		
6:00pm	Reflections of the Word	St. Cecilia rm.
<u>Wednesday-October 2nd</u>		
9:15am	Tai Chi	Church Vestibule
12:00pm	Lectio Divina	St. Cecilia rm.
2:00pm	OLG Meeting	large conf. rm.
<u>Thursday-October 3rd</u>		
9:30am	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Church
1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Library
6:00pm	Community Meal	Halls
6:30pm	Catholics Returning Home	Sm. Conf. rm.
<u>Friday-October 4th</u>		
7:00am	Men's Prayer Group	M 4
9am-Noon	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
10:00am	Blessings of Pets	Rosary Walk
11:00am	Movie	Y 3
7:00pm	Blessing of Pets	Rosary Walk
8:00pm	Outdoor Movie Night	Back Parking Lot
<u>Saturday-October 5th</u>		
9:15am	Fr. Sal Presentation	Hall A



Please be aware that children are present around campus on Sundays as Children's Faith Formation has begun. **Please drive slowly in the parking lots, especially near the portables!**

Thank you!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Divine Savior invites everyone to Eucharistic Adoration on the 1st Friday of each month, Adoration begins at 9:00am immediately after Mass and continues until 12:00pm.



MASS INTENTIONS

September 28th	4:30pm	Rafael S. David (D)
		Mary Elizabeth Barcewski (D)
September 29th	7:45am	Patricia Elliott Crespin (D)
		Patricia Stasio (D)
	9:30am	People of the Parish
	11:30am	Catalina Montenegro (D)
		Jacqueline Lerma (D)
	5:30pm	People of the Parish
September 30th	8:30am	Ricky Biamonte
		Gary Sheldon (D)
October 1st	8:30am	Corsene Murphy
October 2nd	8:30am	Corsene Murphy
October 3rd	8:30am	Larry McKee (D)
		Riel & Regina Bragais
October 4th	8:30am	Tony & Kathleen Koregelos
		Jack & Fran Donegan (D)
October 5th	8:30am	Corsene Murphy
		Tracy Hass
	4:30pm	Ted Laitinen (C)
October 6th	7:45am	People of the Parish
	9:30am	George & Delores Brousseau (D)
		Pat Hamilton (D)
	11:30am	Verrill Bassett (D)
		Ted Laitinen
	5:30pm	Joe Paddock (D)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-5
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

Pray for our Military Personnel wherever duty calls them to serve, homeland or overseas.

Adrienne Aleschus, James Aleschus, John Aleschus, Logan Amos, Sean Amos, James Atwood, Andrew Bauer, Jordan Biasotti, Anthony Brooks, Jonathan Brooks, Jacob Camarillo, Aimee Chabot, Ephrem Choi, Elsie Cruz, Matt David, Travis Dardis, Derek Deatherage, David DeLaCruz, Alisen Dowell, Joe Downey, Andrew Durham, Brian Eberhard, Katharine Ernst & A.J. Smith, Tom Feyoe, Mathew Fox, Timothy Fox, Joseph Gast, Tyler Gedstad, Erik Hartsell, Jeremy Herbert, Susan Hocker, Yutaro Hosaka, Ben Isla, Tyler Kenobbie, William Krantz, Tyler Krantz, Andy Kuehn, Dayna Landry, Charles Philip Lopez, Kelly Mancini, Doran Martin, John Masterson, Bennet D. McGrane, Garrett McMann, Aaron McMurray, Francis Montojo, Joseph M. Paddock, Nathan Paddock, Chris Payant, David Petisor, Darin Pillman, Tim Pillman, Rachael Portoman, Logan Rasmussen, Trey Rasmussen, Tim Reid, Neal Ridge, Tony Rodriguez, Nicholas Roha, Ryan Roux, Matthew Sandoval, April Skou, Jacob and Nikki Steeb, James Thatche, Jadyne Trujillo, Aimee Vigil, Noah Villarreal, Danny Walsh, David Wentling, Kyle William and Brian Wright, Alexander Wrinkle.

If your loved one is out of the military please call Mary at 916-988-4984 to have them removed.

Please pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing. *(Names will appear for 3 weeks unless an extension is requested.)*

Alice Amantea	Bill Amantea
Bill Anderson	Sheldon Anderson Jr
Sharon Backus	Taryn Benson
Marlena Beyer	Talon Bonanno
Julie Bouse	Eduardo Bravo
Pam Chappell	Pat Collier
Lauri Comly	Joan Cotton
Jo Ann Coughlin	Mary Crandall
Madeleine Crepin	Noreen Davis
Frank Donner III	Michael W. Donner
Danielle Dulgerian	Reggie Faulk
Dorothy Feldman	Jim Fouret
Gary Green	J.J. Hall
Stephany Hammer	Tracy Hass
Bridgette Hubbard	Michele Kinaan
John Lehane	Angelita Martinez
Rosemary Mealey	Vicente Meno
Paul Moreau	Allen D. Nelson
Ronnie Nichols	Patty Nicholson
John Padden	Karen Paddock
Waldi Paige	Eleanor Peterson
Gladys Reilly	Madeline Rose
Gerry Ryden	Donna Schulte
Marilyn Scott	Tom Sekel
Lee "Lucky" Shaver	Shari Sigl
Barbara Smith	Janet Thompson
Casey Wick	John Wick

Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Fenwick "Butch" Holmes	Ted Laitinen
Donald W. McMurchie	Nick Ostrogonac
Susan Marie Venney	

—For these and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

VOCATIONS CROSS

Saturday, September 28th at the 4:30pm Mass, Dan and Deanna Freeman will take home the Vocations Cross to pray daily for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Religious Life.



Parish Announcements

DID YOU KNOW?

Fr. Roman's small faith group presentations on "What the Birth of Jesus means to us, his followers" are beginning this Monday, September 30th at 7:00pm in the church. Don't miss these inspiring presentations.



LITURGY CORNER—

This Friday, October 4th we will have a Mass in honor of St. Francis of Assisi at 8:30am followed by the Blessing of Pets at 10:00am and again at 7:30pm the Blessing of the Pets followed by a: Family Outdoor Movie Night — A Dog's Journey 8pm Bring lawn chairs, blankets, snacks, and the family including pets in a carrier or on a leash! (movie preview presentation in Y3 at 11am; humans only, please)



40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

September 25th—November 3rd
Vigil location: **FPA Clinic**
2322 Butano Drive, Sacramento
Vigil hours: **8 am to 6 pm., Mon - Fri**

Divine Savior Respect Life Members have signed up to pray from 1-2 pm on the sidewalk, any Monday during the 40 Days' vigil. **Come when you can.** Carpools are available. Parish contact: Sally Fong at 916-849-0533 For further details visit: 40daysforlife.com/sacramento



Parish Announcements

DIVINE SAVIOR IS STAFFED BY SALVATORIANS, BUT WHO ARE THEY?

NEXT Saturday, Oct. 5th at 9:15am, Fr. Sal Ragusa, SDS, in collaboration with the Salvatorian sisters and lay Salvatorians, will share the history, charism and mission of the Salvatorian community as it is expressed in our parish ministries. I encourage all parishioners and especially ministry leaders to attend. Lunch provided following the presentation. **Please RSVP by October 2nd**, your attendance for lunch by emailing kathleen@divinesavior.com or calling 916-989-7400.



SAVE THE DATE

Sarah Hart in concert at Divine Savior on Friday, December 6th at 7:00pm. Don't forget to invite your friends and family. Find out more about Sarah at <https://www.sarahhart.com/>



**Catholics Returning Home
An Open Door for Returning Catholics**

No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church.

Please join us for six informal sessions continuing on **Thursday, October 3rd, 6:30 – 8:00pm.** The sessions will include sharing, and updates on the Church today. Please contact Kathleen Hass at 916-989-7400 or kathleen@divinesavior.com for additional information.

RECYCLING SUNDAY

Where: behind the gym by the dumpster
When: Sunday, Sept. 29th, after all morning Masses.
What: ONLY CA CRV Glass, Plastic and Aluminum beverage containers. **We no longer accept any number 1 plastic containers.**
Why: Salvatorian Haiti Project



Parish Announcements

Year over Year Plate Collection Performance

	Week # 12	YTD thru Week # 12	Online giving
2019-2020 Year	\$ 11,914	\$ 202,616	\$ 490
2018-2019 Year	\$ 12,507	\$ 193,325	

COMMUNITY MEAL

On Thursday evenings in August, our Community Meal served:

- 479 guests
- 803 meals! (average 161/week)

Our Giving Garden Ministry provided vegetables for many of the meals, and some vegetables for guests to take home. Special thanks to our parish gardeners!

THANK YOU for your generous support of this ministry. If you can help, please contact Julie Rose at julierose9211@gmail.com or 916-813-3106.

Ministry Opportunities

ROSARY GROUPS

You are invited to join us to pray the rosary at church
Group Rosary Times:



- After 7:45am Sunday Mass at 8:45am by Mary's statue
- Monday evenings, 6pm in the St. Cecilia room
- Daily after morning Mass in the church.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If you have the talent to knit or crochet, please consider joining our prayer shawl ministry. We meet twice a month (1st and 3rd Thursdays, 1-3pm) in the Parish Office. Please contact Nancy Begley at 916-705-5464 for more information.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

Thank you to those who signed up at the Ministry Fair to explore this ministry. We are a welcoming ministry. The time commitment is minimal, but the sense of personal fulfillment is great. We take communion to people unable to get to Mass, young and old. For further info, contact mtthmaryk@outlook.com.



Faith Formation News

All children and youth faith formation sessions have begun!!!

Enrollment forms are available online or in the church office. Any questions contact:



Early Childhood – 5th grade email Jen Shaver jennifer@divinesavior.com

6th - 8th grade email Denise Hackett denise@divinesavior.com or Daniel Ardoin at danieljamesardoin@gmail.com

High School and Confirmation preparation email Debbie or Daniel at lifeteen@divinesavior.com

ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC

If you are thinking of becoming Catholic, there are RCIA sessions, called "Inquiry." In a warm and accepting environment, you are welcome to share your questions. If you are interested, please contact the parish office or sharon@divinesavior.com



Around the Diocese

JOIN US FOR A FREE VIEWING OF UNPLANNED

On Monday, September 30th, at 6:15pm, in Gallagher Hall, St. John the Baptist Church will be showing the movie "UNPLANNED", A Message of Hope and Forgiveness: True Story of Former Planned Parenthood Clinic Director. It is R rated. This is free of charge and is for adults, especially for the parents of teenagers and Youth Ministry. Contact: Sally Fong at 916-849-0533.

14th Annual Divine Mercy Conference

Saturday, October 12th 8:30am to 4:30pm
Divine Mercy Parish, Sacramento
Tickets: \$20. contact Linda 916-961-7082
Speakers: EWTN's Fr. Bill Casey
Eric Mahl (Cleveland Browns)



More details to come.

Jesus I Trust In You