

Dear Parishioners of Divine Savior and our cherished visitors:

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14v-16a; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

This Sunday, we have the privilege to celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. There is concern that a certain percentage of Catholics do not believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine that the Holy Spirit transforms into the Body and Blood of Jesus. There are a couple of ways we can approach this situation. Sometimes, referring to dogmas and the teaching of the church might not bring about our desired results.

What can be far more helpful is to start with experience, remembering, and reflection. Doing so is an activity of the heart, soul, emotion, and intuition. It is in this facet of our being that the Holy Spirit speaks to us. In these places the Holy Spirit can help us grasp the wonder of the many ways we experience God's Real Presence. We do so the more in awe we are of all that God has created, how rich we are blessed by the Word made flesh in Jesus and the infusion of the Holy Spirit into all that exists.

I fondly remember when my parents would visit me here in California or in Arizona. As we were driving through mountains, my dad would marvel at how trees were growing out of rock. Another time, we were in Tuolumne Grove in Yosemite Park. My dad put his hand on several big trees and commented that what he learned in school about the years of the earth's existence was not accurate.

The point: the more we come to experience the majesty of God, the more we realize the depth of God's love for us, the more we realize that God's only interest is that we relate in trust with Him through Jesus and the Holy Spirit, then the more likely we can believe that Jesus is really present in the bread and wine transformed.

Another important step is to remember, meaning that we bring into the present, as clearly as we can, the events of the past. I can easily picture my dad with his hands on those trees. We all have moments when we recall events and we say, "I can just hear that person making that statement. Or I can see that person doing the same thing."

When we join for the celebration of Mass, we might find it helpful to imagine ourselves at the table of the Last Supper. There we also remember how Jesus was really present in loving everyone He encountered when He walked this earth. He would often say that just as He had life because of the Father, so we will have life because of Him.

Is there any doubt that Jesus was then and is now living bread that nurtures us? When He speaks of eating His flesh, He is asking us to believe that He indeed is truly present to us. How about picturing ourselves with Jesus when He said, as is recorded in today's Gospel, "believe me when I say I will be with you always." "Believe that I am really present in bread and wine as surely as I am present in my Word that also nurtures you." "Believe me when I say you have life in you that is renewed in sharing in Holy Communion." The deeper our belief, the more likely we are able to experience Jesus as truly present.

~Fr. Roman

Divine Savior will resume in person Mass this weekend, June 13th/14th!

Masses will be at 4:30pm Saturday, 8:30 & 11:30am Sunday and daily Mass will resume June 15th. **Please RSVP for a weekend Mass by Sat. at noon. [Click here to RSVP.](#)**

Please RSVP immediately as there is limited space available for each Mass. Once we reach our limit of 100 people in the church, an additional Mass (with a Priest) will be offered in the Gym for an additional 100.

If we reach 100 in both locations others will be invited to participate from home via live-stream and return at 1pm for outdoor Communion.

Please note, if you participate in Mass at the parish and later test positive for COVID-19, please notify the parish IMMEDIATELY.

IMPROVEMENTS

Despite Covid-19, we now have a new concrete platform on which to place the three different recycling/garbage containers that are required beginning July 1st. We thank Steve Kassel for his arranging for this work. This was one of the projects of our Campus Development Committee.

And then there is our sprinkler system. We are having to spend some \$20,000 to repair and replace various parts of it as well as getting water to places where it is needed but had not gotten there.

Please pray for those who are sick, in pain or recovery, or in need of spiritual healing.

Sheldon Anderson Jr.	Bill Amantea
Talon Bonanno	Julie Bouse
Eduardo Bravo	Pat Collier
Lauri Comly	Madeleine Crepin
Noreen Davis	Michael W. Donner
Carol Dziedzic	JoAnn Elder
Reggie Faulk	Dorothy Feldman
Linda Goulet	Bud Green
Sandra Harris	Bridgette Hubbard
Martin Jennings	Michele Kinaan
Carl Larson	Mike Ledgerwood
Mike Mahoney	Vicente Meno
Allen D. Nelson	Patty Nicholson
Jackie Olson	John Padden
Karen Paddock	Linda Parker
Gladys Reilly	Bernie Revak
Christopher Revak	Roxanne Rosales
Madeline Rose	Gerry Ryden
Donna Schulte	Tom Sekel
Shari Sigl	Isrrael Lopez Silva
John Wieck	Stella Zipp

Please pray for the souls of those who have died:

Gary Green Eleanor Peterson

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

WE NEED A FEW GOOD MEN TO BUILD A WALL

The Parish needs a few volunteers to complete the accommodation for the county required 3 refuse bins by building a low, landscape block wall around the newly poured concrete pad. The work will be done next Saturday, June 20 starting at 8:00am. Please contact

Steve Kassel from the Campus Development Committee at thekassels@comcast.net or (916) 988-4897 for more details and to volunteer.



Did you know, all Masses will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook & YouTube?

Weekend Mass will be at 4:30pm Saturdays and 8:30 & 11:30 am Sundays. Recordings are available on our parish Facebook, website, and YouTube channel ([Divine Savior Orangevale](#))

Daily Mass- In person Daily Mass will resume on Monday, June 15 at 9:00 am. NO RSVP is required for daily Masses however, you will need to sign in in the Vestibule. Live-streaming on Facebook & YouTube will still be taking place. Please note there is **NO morning Mass on Saturday.**

Chaplet of Divine Mercy—Livestreamed on Mondays—Thursdays at 3pm, join Fr. Marcel as he prays the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the very hour our Divine Savior died. **On Thursdays, Adoration will follow.**

Our Church and Parish Office will be closed until further notice, however staff will answer the phone Monday through Friday from 8:00am until 4:00pm. For **funerals, confession, or anointing of the sick**, call the parish office.

BOOK CLUB On-Line Book Club beginning soon. Join now!

During this time of anxiety and vulnerability, Brené Brown fuels us for bravery in her book, *RISING STRONG: How the Ability to Reset Transforms the Way We Live, Love, Parent, and Lead*. To join, please go to facebook.com/divinesaviororangevale. You can find it by clicking on the "groups" tab on this page. Click "join group" to submit a request to join. If you have trouble joining, send an email to sharon@divinesavior.com, and an invite will be sent to you!

Financial Support of the Parish

Much appreciation and abundant blessing to everyone contributing to the parish in any small or big way. You can mail in donations, ***drop in parish mail box*** or those who want to switch to electronic giving, please go to our parish website <https://www.divinesavior.com/giving>. Please note that we have added a new option, **“text giving.”** ~ Fr. Roman Mueller, S.D.S.



Treasure Fest 2020 postponed until next year!

It is with great sadness that we must cancel our Treasure Fest this year. The health and safety of each person continues to be our primary concern and the various safety restrictions will prevent us from having the event. Please consider making a donation to parish fundraising to offset the loss of income from both the crab feed and Treasure Fest events.

[Click here](#) for a message from the event coordinator, Jan Bencken.

Going Deeper with Fr. Roman



The Real Presence

Be sure to watch this week's edition of "Going Deeper with Fr. Roman: A reflection on the Real Presence!" [Click here:](#)