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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.

Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Mother of Perpetual Help, today we face so many difficulties. Your picture tells us so much about you. It reminds us to reach out and help those in need. Help us understand that our lives belong to others as much as they belong to us.

Mother of Perpetual Help, you have been blessed and favored by God. You became not only the Mother of the Redeemer, but Mother of the redeemed as well. We come to you today as your loving children. Watch over us and take care of us. As you held the child Jesus in your loving arms, so take us in your arms. Be a mother ready at every moment to help us. For God who is mighty has done great things for you, and God's mercy is from age to age on those who love God. Intercede for us, dear Mother, in obtaining pardon for our sins, love for Jesus, final perseverance, and the grace always to call upon you, Mother of Perpetual Help.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

O Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke thy most powerful name, which is the safeguard of the living and the salvation of the dying. O purest Mary, O sweetest Mary, let thy name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, O Blessed Lady, to help me, whenever I call on thee; for, in all my temptations, in all my needs, I shall never cease to call on thee, ever repeating thy sacred name, Mary, Mary.

O what consolation, what sweetness, what confidence, what emotion, fill my soul when I utter thy sacred name, or even only think of thee. I thank the Lord for having given thee, for my good so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering thy name. Let my love for thee prompt me ever to hail thee, Mother of Perpetual Help. *(Recite 3 Hail Mary's)*

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. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH It is an association of Christian Men united under the Catholic Church who meet weekly to pray together and encourage each other to be the spiritual leader of their families. A weekly one hour meeting is held at **6:00 p.m. every Tuesday in Joseph Hall**. For more information, please contact Deacon Francis or Mike

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: ALL CAPTAINS, LECTORS, & USHERS:

Please let me know by **August 31st** if you will be away anytime during the months of **October-December 2021** or if you prefer **not** to be scheduled at this time.

CHILD PROTECTION RETRAINING

Volunteers and employees, it's time to renew your training for Child Protection. You will find instructions for retraining at:

<https://mobarch.org/childprotection>

If you have any trouble logging into your account, please contact the Office for the Protection of Minors and Adults at 251-434-1559.

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS



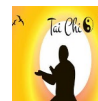
Online Giving

Visit our website to sign up and to begin contributing automatically to our parish. This convenient new system does not require you to contact your bank to sign up or to make changes. You can use any of your checking or savings accounts or debit or credit card, and the funds will be automatically transferred to our parish bank account. This system is more convenient for the parish than electronic checks from your bank. And it's convenient for you because you can make changes at any time. Go to our website or download the online giving app on your mobile device. **Contact Judy Pukac at 251-633-6762 x 203 with any questions.**

For the website 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.

TAI CHI CLASS



It is a low-impact, slow-motion exercise that is often described as "meditation in motion."

Classes meet: Mondays 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in Jennings Hall. Social distancing will be observed at all times. **No cost Everyone is invited.**

PLEASE KEEP DONATING TO GOODWILL EASTER SEALS GOOD SAMARITAN PROGRAM

ALL DONATION CENTER LOCATIONS ARE OPEN DAILY 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, BUT CALL FIRST.

YELLOW DONATION FORMS are available in the Church and in the Parish Office. 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.

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
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Daniel Driskell, Music Minister
Mary Marks, Office Manager
Judy Pukac, Accountant
Heide Sarubin, Office Assistant
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.
Weekdays: 8:30 am Tuesday-Friday
Holy Days: 7 p.m. Vigil & 8:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. & by appointment

CONTACT

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Finance Council:

Liturgy: Fr. David Tokarz
Parish Life Activities: Dolores Hale
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Knights of Columbus: Michael Smitherman
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4th Degree, Knights of Columbus: Joe Behr
Faithful Navigator Assembly 2918
Ladies Auxiliary: Tina Lyons
Men of St. Joseph: Francis Tran
St Vincent de Paul: Christina Richie
Parish Council: Vicki Wakefield
Sister Parish Com.: Kathy Powell
Boy Scouts: Edward Nehls
Cub Scouts: Edward Nehls
Widows Web: Judy Adams

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 the parish office (251-633-6762) 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
Closed daily for lunch 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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.



**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 29, 2021**



BAND-AIDS

There are a couple of things that have triggered this thought process in me— A/C and shaving...

I remember reading a letter to “The Straight Dope” (don’t ask; far too long an explanation—suffice it to say, from Chicago) from a fellow whose girlfriend used his razor to shave; he thought he had a brand-new blade, and as he put it, “Now I’m trying to figure out how to put a tourniquet on my upper lip...”

And then there’s what has been an on-going issue with the A/C unit in the rectory Florida room.

What in the world am I raving about??

This morning (FYI, this is being written the Tuesday prior) I nicked my upper lip while shaving. It’s currently almost 2:00 pm, and I’m still fighting trying to stop the bleeding. So what did I try?

Styptic pencil; Kleenex; pressure; liquid bandage.... The point is that these things were ineffective—they didn’t work. How often have we wasted time, spiritually speaking, on things (techniques, methods...) that didn’t work? Again, in the name of full disclosure, I’m not sure in this case what will work...

As for the Florida room, I’m on more solid ground. The humidity was building up in here terribly, and I went to get a de-humidifier. I was sucking out easily 3 gallons of moisture a day—all of which went to plants and the fountain, but still! My question: where was it all coming from? At the same time, the A/C unit was backing up, mildewing up, and on Sunday morning overflowed all over the wall, floor.... So Kim hosed out the system Monday and came up with a theory. What if the “back up” of moisture that should have been draining wasn’t happening, but my de-humidifier was, as it were, “taking up the slack”? The fact that I’d stopped using the de-humidifier, then the flood occurred, confirmed this idea. So I was using the wrong solution to the problem.

In both cases, I had a good solution but one that was wrong for the issue. Again—how often have we been in spiritual circumstances when what we thought was the right approach simply wasn’t. Perhaps we might do well to hear again the words of St Paul (Romans 8) that we don’t know how to pray as we ought. Perhaps the best prayer, after all, is the Lord’s Prayer: “Thy will be done; Give us this day; deliver us from evil.”

When I think I know best, when I think I have the answer—it’s then that I’m in serious trouble.

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	Jesus Gallego	Vicki Scott
Keith Bumpers	Manuela Golden	Jeb Shell
Lisa Brazell	Rose Marie Kervin	Kathy Sirak
Annie Ruth Chappell	Monica Knight	Mary Ann Stanley
Mason Coker	Rady Laron	Joe Vegliacich
Judy Courtney	Myrtis Mooney	
Leah Dees	Louis Naman	
Michael Dees	Ashley Rickel	

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

James Walsh 8/1/06	Cullis Holub 8/19/15
Sadie Davis 8/1/10	Tom Clinton 8/19/18
Jeanne Pollara 8/1/05	David Longstaff 8/19/2020
Phi Hoang 8/2/09	Helen Curry 8/20/17
Bonnie Moran 8/2/13	Sullivan O'Rourke 8/21/10
Madelyn Christiansen 8/3/09	Henna Dana 8/21/13
Mary Kress 8/3/14	Teresa Powell 8/22/08
James G Murray 8/4/02	Gary Browning 8/22/2020
Cecilia Street 8/4/14	Msgr Joseph McArdle 8/23/00
Sean Delcambre 8/5/19	Eubie Watson 8/23/05
Margarita deCuellar 8/6/01	Helen Cullefer 8/23/15
George Kirk 8/6/13	Linda Behr 8/23/18
James Roberts 8/7/09	Ann Burns 8/25/08
Samuel P. Garrone 8/7/97	Edith Klein 8/25/05
Haydee Granda 8/7/2020	Doug Pierre 8/25/09
Cynthia Stargell 8/7/2021	George Kutey 8/25/15
Margaret McCusker 8/8/2020	William Kirven 8/26/09
David Pomier 8/9/11	Irene Novak 8/26/12
John Pigott 8/9/15	Mary Anne Hennigan 8/26/18
Leon Rung 8/10/16	Jean Engler 8/27/97
Pete Garriz 8/10/16	Conchita Charnock 8/27/12
Ruth B. Dunaway 8/11/01	Barry Jaet 8/27/13
Thomas Stirling 8/11/08	Johnny Crist 8/28/10
Misty McKee 8/11/2020	Harold Clark 8/28/2016
Jack Baker 8/13/11	Cesar Cosci 8/29/18
Lill England 8/14/08	Mary Beth Ezell 8/29/19
Patsy Kenny 8/14/11	Regina Street 8/30/79
Lillian Giara 8/15/07	Ron Willis 8/30/03
Lorraine Roberts 8/15/19	Mary McQueen 8/30/12
Lisa Crum 8/16/07	Lily Villanueva 8/30/15
Faye Richburg 8/17/08	Doris Henriksen 8/30/2020
Jerry Callaghan 8/17/12	Rolando Sema 8/31/12
Doyle Ellis 8/17/04	
Frank Holderfield Sr 8/17/07	
Brooke Heuermann 8/17/13	
Charles Pollman, Sr. 8/18/08	
Charlene Joy Pilie 8/18/2021	
Agnes Murray 8/19/06	

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm: Jim & Josephine Licari (d)
Sunday 8:30 am: Sam & Madeline Signorelli (d)
 11:00 am: People of the Parish
Tuesday 8:30 am: Doris Henriksen (d)
Wednesday 8:30 am: Rev. Fergus Prendergast (d)
Thursday 8:30 am: Burkhard Dohm (d)
Friday 8:30 am: Henry Guchereau (d)



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Advertiser of the Week

PRAYER INTENTIONS POPE FRANCIS

Intention for Evangelization: – The Church
 Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat. Reading 1: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Sun. Reading 1: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 (125B)
Reading 2: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27
Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mon. Reading 1: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel: Luke 4:16-30

Tues. Reading 1: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11
Gospel: Luke 4:31-37

Wed. Reading 1: Colossians 1:1-8
Gospel: Luke 4:38-44

Thurs. Reading 1: Colossians 1:9-14
Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Fri. Reading 1: 1 Colossians 1:15-20
Gospel: Luke 5:33-39

PRIESTER'S PECANS



We will start taking orders for Priesters Pecans, our goal is to place the orders by **September 10th**. This year we will be selling:

11lb Bags Pecan Halves, Pieces, Roasted & Salted & Honey Glazed \$16.50
 11lb Bag of Milk Chocolate Pecan Halves \$13
 11lb Bag of Praline Pecans \$13
 11lb Bag of Pecan Divinity \$16.50
 9" Pecan Pie & 9" Chocolate Pie \$14
 3" Mini Pecan Pies \$2.50 each or 3/\$5



GIFT TINS

Seven Pecan Favorites 11b.5oz \$26
 Pecan Candy Christmas Tin 14oz \$18
 Pecan Variety Pinwheel 12 oz \$15
 Sweet & Savory Snack Gift Tin 11b.3oz \$23.50
 Classic Cheese Straws 8oz Tin \$18

If you are interested in preordering, email Tina youth@oursaviorparish.org or stop by my office and place your order!

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:

- Go to our website www.oursaviorparish.org and then click on the Facebook logo at the top right corner and then click on videos to your left.
- 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.

The **MOBILE ACCW** will have its quarterly fall meeting and luncheon on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. It will be held at St. Ignatius Parish in the Marian Center. Registration is from 9-10 am. The meeting will begin at 10:00am with Mass following at 11:00am.

Lunch will be served after Mass. Lunch is \$13.00

Please make reservations by September 10, 2021 to Carlee Russell at (251) 533-4771 carlee.russell@icloud.com; B.J. Robertson at (251) 423-5138 robertson391711@bellsouth.net

LINE DANCING meets every Monday in Jennings Hall. Classes start at 6:15 p.m. with a cost of \$5 per person. It is a fun and healthy form of exercise where everyone comes together to have a good time. Come join the fun!!



VINEYARD WORKERS



The Vineyard Workers will be meeting **Monday, August 30th at 7:00 a.m.** to help spruce up the church grounds. **All are invited!**

"A weed is but an unloved flower" Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	7,498
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	411,923
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	406,631
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	(5,292)
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	45
Building Fund to date	\$	5,787
Temascalapa Appeal	\$	18,567

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION is scheduled to resume **Sunday, October 3, 2021**. We will meet in the parish library between the Masses (9:45 to 10:45). Because it is the Year of the Eucharist in the Parish, we will start our year with Fr. Mitch Pacwa S.J.'s book *The Eucharist: A Bible Study guide for Catholics*. The book is available from EWTN's religious catalogue for \$10.95 plus shipping. It can also be purchased from Amazon either as a paperback or kindle edition. I will purchase several copies.

Join us for a prayerful discussion. For more information contact Eileen Rettig at 251-661-8619 or emrettig@aol.com

KNIGHT'S KORNER

The group here at the Our Savior Knights of Columbus all hope that you are doing well.


We have made it through our fifth drawing. We have sold over 220 tickets, which is very good, but we would like to have more people enjoy the fun. Knights are hanging out on the porch after Mass on the weekends and Tina has a few in the church office. If you know of anyone that would like a ticket just to let us know and we can get with them. We only have four more months of 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

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Jennings
Line Dancing (6:15 p.m.) Jennings
Tuesday Men of St. Joseph (6:00 p.m.) Joseph
Wednesday Adoration (9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.)
Holy Hour & Novena (6:00 p.m.)
Benediction (7:00 p.m.)
Choir (7:00 p.m.)
Thursday K of C mtg. (7:00 p.m.)
Friday 1st Friday Holy Hour (9:00 a.m.)
Singing Needles (10:00 a.m.)

UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

 Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory. It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

- **Have you changed your phone number or email address?**
- **Have you moved?**
- **Are you preparing to move soon?**
- **Do you want your record published?**

If you have **not** already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guide Book & Directory is correct. The Church Office number is 251-633-6762 x 200.

Thank you for your help!

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS



WHAT'S HAPPENING with Youth Ministry

We're planning an Outdoor Day Retreat at Camp Christian! **SAVE THE DATE** Saturday, October 2nd more information to follow. Open to all youth grades 6th-12th & Our Confirmation Class. Ms. Tina is looking for 5 or 6 to help lead small groups

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Alive in You Just Announced their Summer Camps for 2022! Our Savior Youth and their Chaperones will be heading to Knoxville, TN June 28th through July 3rd
I preregistered 17 spots for this Summer! Please let Ms. Tina know if you are interested in attending. I will need minimum 2 male chaperones and 2 or 3 female chaperones. To attend camp, you must be entering into the 9th grade in the Fall of 2023. Please contact Ms. Tina if you are interested in attending. At this time, we are only forming a list of youth and chaperones who would like to attend.

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Youth group is open to all Middle School Youth 6th-8th grade & High School Youth 9th-12th grade. Parents and Youth, if you would like to be added to the email/constant contact list so you can receive updates please send your email to youth@oursaviorparish.org.

Our goal at Our Savior is to provide a safe environment to come together with your peers so we will continue to follow all guideline for the COVID-19 Virus!

NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

What You Need To Know About Our Religious Education Programs

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) classes begin **Sunday, October 3rd from 9:45-10:45am**. Register online through the parish website (www.oursaviorparish.org), pick up forms in the parish office, or download the forms from the website. Registration payment can be made online through the website, mailed to the parish office, or brought in person on the first day of class. Make checks payable to "Our Savior Parish".

PREP catechists, assistants, and substitutes are needed to complete our faculty. Contact Jan Murray to volunteer.

Confirmation: Packets were handed out August 1. If you have a son or daughter in grades 10 or 11 this fall, registration is the same as **PREP** above unless attending McGill-Toolen Catholic High School. All students seeking the sacrament of Confirmation have an additional, separate enrollment form which is included in the packet. Once updated archdiocesan guidelines for COVID protocols have been announced, we will establish the Confirmation calendar. Confirmation is scheduled for the fall of 2022.

RCIA: Anyone interested in joining the Catholic faith, Catholic adults seeking Confirmation, and Catholics wishing to learn more about their faith are invited to attend RCIA sessions which will take place on Tuesdays after Labor Day. Formal registration happens at the first gathering, but we appreciate knowing in advance that you plan to attend. Email Jan Murray at re@oursaviorparish.org or leave a message at 251-633-6762, x206.

RCIA Hospitality is looking for a few more cooks to provide a supper for our RCIA Inquirers. You would provide a meal twice during the year. Contact Jan Murray for details.

Adult Education opportunities will begin **October 3rd** on Sunday between the Masses. Eileen Rettig directs this program. Watch the bulletin and Constant Contact alerts for details.

"Never give up prayer, and should you find dryness and difficulty, persevere in it for this very reason. God often desires to see what love your soul has, and love is not tried by ease and satisfaction."

— St. John of the Cross