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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.

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.



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

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.**



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!!

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
Dolores Hale, Ministry of Care
Daniel Driskell, Music Minister
Mary Marks, Office Manager
Judy Pukac, Accountant
Heide Sarubin, Office Assistant
Kim McDowell, Maintenance
Mary Anthony, Housekeeping

MASS SCHEDULE

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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CHURCH ADDRESS

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Finance Council:

Liturgy: Fr. David Tokarz
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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

EUCARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 5, 2021



THE MEANING OF COMMUNITY

As I write this, we are just coming out from under the storming of Hurricane Ida. We here in Mobile came out safely, with a great deal of rain but minimal (relatively speaking) wind. The same cannot be said of southern Louisiana, and especially New Orleans.

Sixteen years to the day that Hurricane Katrina devastated that area, people again are suffering loss of life, of property, of communications, of safe food/drink. I have a specific “dog in this hunt”—a brother and sister-in-law live in Baton Rouge, and I have not been able to contact them. I pray they’re safe, but I wish I knew.

But I have seen other images on Facebook besides the maps of destruction and the reports on the news of weather-related conditions (tornadoes, flood surges...). They are images of fleets of line workers with their trucks, heading down from places like Tennessee, ready to help restore power to those who depend upon it for air conditioning, for refrigerator operation, for lighting, for being able to speak with loved ones outside the area. I praise the Lord for these workers’ generosity and willingness to help. This is community.

Our country is badly divided in many ways, especially socially/politically. It’s a shame that a storm might bring us (or some of us, anyway) back together, but once the storm is a fact, it’s great to see the positive response we can make to offset the disaster: we are neighbors; we take care of one another; we realize our common humanity is far more important than our differences of outlook.

This is why, in the two weekends after this coming, our announced collection for relief for the victims of the earthquake and Hurricane Grace in Haiti will now be divided equally with the people of New Orleans. I can only encourage everyone to be generous as possible. We in Mobile (and in much of Alabama) know the impact a hurricane can have (and we know those that have had that impact). “Turnabout is fair play,” as the saying goes. It’s time for us to help. I know we will, because that is the meaning of community—all together, one for all, all for one, whenever there is a need. Yes, Cain: we are our brother’s keeper.

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

John Haugsness 9/1/15	Flo Callaghan 9/14/18
Sue Seelig 9/1/15	Julianna Watson 9/16/16
Joyce Murphy 9/1/15	Al Pawlowski 9/16/18
Burkhard Dohm 9/2/18	Louise Cullefer 9/19/16
Harold Klemm 9/3/13	Julia Nunez 9/19/16
Bruce Brown 9/3/18	Cindy Bair 9/20/13
Dorothy Simons 9/4/02	David Jacobs 9/20/17
Clifford Willis 9/4/13	David Stewart 9/21/05
Fannie Beca 9/4/16	Rosa Dunn 9/21/08
Terry Cronis 9/4/18	Mary Briedenich 9/21/12
Molly Elle Pickett 9/5/04	Bernie O'Leary 9/22/01
Elsi Kilbert 9/7/06	Stella Zambrano 9/23/05
Edward Crusse 9/7/09	James Witschell 9/25/05
Jerry Turner 9/7/2020	Frank Hale 9/25/14
Marshall Langan 9/8/08	James Price 9/26/08
Shirley Dennis 9/8/14	Shirley Peabody 9/26/2020
Wally Reinhardt 9/8/16	Arthur Giles 9/27/12
Paul Cary 9/9/10	Nathalie Arditi 9/27/96
Robert Stock 9/10/04	Bob Higdon 9/27/13
Walter Darring 9/10/04	Gary Henriksen 9/28/17
Amy Langford 9/10/12	
Bob Skeef 9/10/14	
Deacon Frank Adams 9/12/06	
John Lindell 9/11/13	
Diana Forbes 9/13/06	
Geneva J. Seitz 9/13/08	
Agnes Graveman 9/14/06	
Msr. Tony McDevitt 9/14/10	

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm: Henry Guchereau (d)
Sunday 8:30 am: Laura Barczewski (l)
11:00 am: People of the Parish
Tuesday 8:30 am: Walter P. Neel, Jr. (d)
Wednesday 8:30 am: Jerry Turner (d)
Thursday 8:30 am: Lothar Zenkert (d)
Friday 8:30 am: Charlien Stokes (d)

Advertiser of the Week



PRAYER INTENTIONS POPE FRANCIS

Universal Intention: – An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle
 We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat. Reading 1: Colossians 1:21-23
Gospel: Luke 6:1-5
Sun. Reading 1: Isaiah 35:4-7a (128B)
Reading 2: James 2:1-5
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37
Mon. Reading 1: Colossians 1:24-2:3
Gospel: Luke 6:6-11
Tues. Reading 1: Colossians 2:6-15
Gospel: Luke 6:12-19
Wed. Reading 1: Micah 5:1-4a
Gospel: Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23
Thurs. Reading 1: Colossians 3:12-17
Gospel: Luke 6:27-38
Fri. Reading 1: 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14
Gospel: Luke 6:39-42

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

DISASTER RELIEF

We will have a special collection to assist the victims in Haiti and from Hurricane Ida. You may donate through Online Giving which is found on Our Savior's website or by dropping your donations in the basket in the back of the church. Checks should be made payable to **Our Savior Parish**, but please write "**Disaster Relief**" in the memo section of your check. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH OFFICE will be closed Monday, September 6th for Labor Day.

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:

- 1lb Bags Pecan Halves, Pieces, Roasted & Salted & Honey Glazed \$16.50
- 1lb Bag of Milk Chocolate Pecan Halves \$13
- 1lb Bag of Praline Pecans \$13
- 1lb 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 1lb.5oz \$26
- Pecan Candy Christmas Tin 14oz \$18
- Pecan Variety Pinwheel 12 oz \$15
- Sweet & Savory Snack Gift Tin 1lb.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!



PRAY for Greg Landry who died August 23rd. He was the brother of Jeff Landry. May he rest in peace.

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	8,124
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	424,038
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	414,755
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	(9,283)
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	128
Building Fund to date	\$	5,915

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' 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	Parish Office Closed 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.)
Friday	K of C 4th Degree (7:00 p.m.) Singing Needles (10:00 a.m.)

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS:

Douglas & Sondra Lee Williams

CHRIST THE KING MEDAL NOMINATION FORMS will be available for the next two weekends (September 11-12 & 18-19) for you to recommend someone who has shown outstanding service to the parish. You can only be nominated once for this honor; so, the forms will list the former honorees to help you with your selection.

THE BURSE CLUB

A letter from the Archbishop Rodi, a burse club envelope, and a seminarian prayer card was mailed to all parishioners. Additional envelopes and prayer cards will be available in the parish office and the church. Your donations help pay for the education of the seminarians within our Archdiocese. You may drop your donations in the offertory basket or by the parish office. Checks should be made payable to: *Archdiocese of Mobile - Burse/SOS*.

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 interest 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 beginning in October. 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.

"The most deadly poison of our time is indifference."

— St. Maximilian Kolbe

"Love is the most beautiful sentiment the Lord has put into the soul of men and women."

— St. Gianna Molla