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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.

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 then click on the Facebook logo at the top right corner and then click on videos to your left.
- 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.



A Thanksgiving for the Thanksgiving

St Thomas the Apostle Parish (251 N Craft Hwy, Chickasaw) has a Eucharistic Mission starting Monday, November 15th through Saturday, November 20th at 6:00 p.m. with guest speakers explaining the Catholic teachings of the Eucharist.

The guest speakers include Fr. Patrick Driscoll, Msgr. James Kee, Msgr. William Skonecki, Fr. Stephen Hellman, Msgr. Stephen Martin, and Fr. William Saucier. Check the bulletin board for more details.

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.

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 Mary Berthiaume 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
Parish Life Activities: Dolores Hale
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Men of St. Joseph: Francis Tran
St Vincent de Paul: Mary Berthiaume
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.



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 14, 2021



JESUS: Q & A

We are coming to the end of Cycle B in the Church's Sunday Lectionary: the Year of Mark's Gospel. In spite of the activity (marked by the word "immediately"), and in spite of the bits of teaching, there is one fundamental issue in the 2nd (and shortest, and probably the earliest) Gospel: Who is Jesus, really?

We see this question early on. When the paralyzed man is lowered down in front of Jesus by his friends, Jesus' first words are "Your sins are forgiven." And the scribes there think, "Who can forgive sins but God alone?" Who, indeed?

When Jesus calms the storm that so frightened the disciples, they ask, "Who is this, that even winds and waves obey?" Who, indeed!

"Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asks. He recognizes Peter's reply ("You are the Christ/Messiah") but must reprove Peter when he thinks the idea of a suffering Servant is beneath Jesus. This is who I am and who I am destined to be, Jesus says.

Jesus is a healer. Look at the paralyzed man, the leper, the Syrophenician's daughter, the daughter of Jairus, the woman with the hemorrhage, blind Bartimaeus: they are all acts of love, as are the multiplications of bread/fish.

Jesus challenges the wealthy who think that by making a large contribution from their largesse that they should be regarded as top-notch. Jesus has a different view, based on the widow.

Jesus is brilliant in debate: "Love God/neighbor; render to Caesar; even Moses recognized resurrection..." How often have we left arguments thinking, "I should have said..."??? Jesus stumps the elders: "How is the Messiah David's son?" They have no answer for the question Jesus poses. He embarrassed them. No wonder they wanted to get rid of the Lord.

Today is the beginning of the End, so to speak. But really, it's just the end of the Beginning...

Let's let Mark's question resonate within us: who do WE say that Jesus is? And what difference does it make in our lives, however we respond?

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

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Gloria Snow 11/1/08	Kelley Powell 11/20/07
Shirley Hall 11/1/16	Carol Poe 11/20/19
Lois Ann Hof 11/3/12	David Sandlin 11/21/19
Charles Roberts 11/4/09	Walda Darring Ansel 11/22/19
Donna Mihalsky 11/4/18	James Fisher 11/23/12
Adam Pigott 11/5/11	Marguerite Oden 11/24/14
Adela Villanueva 11/5/15	Michael Pukac 11/24/03
La Sonia Wintzell 11/6/14	Charlie Keegan 11/24/10
Ginger Sliney 11/6/15	Milt Rumsey 11/24/17
Pete Fulda 11/7/11	Joseph B Stewart, Jr. 11/24/19
Fraser Landreneau 11/7/11	Sergio Selva 11/24/19
James W. Duffy 11/8/08	Denise Sweeney 11/25/11
Murray Driskell 11/8/16	Arnold "Jack" Jackson 11/25/2020
Marcel Dionne 11/9/15	Tom Baker 11/26/01
Shirley Bright 11/10/08	Jerry Whisenhunt 11/25/08
Audrey Fitzmorris 11/10/09	Ronald Scott 11/26/03
Vernon L.Barfield 11/11/01	Mary McBee 11/26/10
Mike Alberts 11/13/18	Valerie Moore Carpenter 11/26/65
Jo Ann Gregory 11/14/13	Joan Willis 11/26/17
Alan Gwin 11/14/06	Sue Rogers 11/26/17
Susanna Wise 11/14/04	Mark Alberts 11/27/12
Ann Reynolds 11/14/07	Anthony F. Manzella, 11/27/14
Frederick Meyer 11/14/14	Frances Russell 11/28/09
Annette Thompson 11/15/10	Norbert (Red) Grindel 11/28/12
Patricia Tohill 11/16/13	Charles Oberkirch 11/28/14
Tom Langan, Sr. 11/17/08	Catherine Fullerton 11/28/17
Gene Villarrubia 11/17/07	Myrtle Rumsey 11/28/18
Gilbert Moore 11/17/18	Don Vernon 11/29/10
Augusto Alcocer 11/17/18	James Clifford Carpenter 11/29/16
Claude Antoine 11/20/83	Melvin Watson 11/29/17
Andrea Skeel 11/20/18	Dee Mahrt 11/29/2020
Josephine Thomas 11/24/10	Dianne Moore 11/30/11
Wayne Hall 11/19/13	Jan Skeel 11/30/19

MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Saturday 5:00 pm: George A. VanCourt, Jr (d)
Sunday 8:30 am: People of the Parish
11:00 am: Lothar Zenkert (d)
Tuesday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Wednesday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Thursday 8:30 am: Communion Service
Friday 8:30 am: Communion Service

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PRAYER INTENTIONS POPE FRANCIS

Universal Intention: – People Who Suffer From Depression
 We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sat. Reading 1: Wisdom 18:14-16; 16:6-9
Gospel: Luke 18:1-8
Sun. Reading 1: Daniel 12:1-3 (158B)
Reading 2: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
Gospel: Mark 13:24-32
Mon. Reading 1: 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63
Gospel: Luke 18:35-43
Tues. Reading 1: 2 Maccabees 6:18-31
Gospel: Luke 19:1-10
Wed. Reading 1: 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31
Gospel: Luke 19:11-28
Thurs. Reading 1: 1 Maccabees 2:15-29
Gospel: Luke 19:41-44
Fri. Reading 1: 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59
Gospel: Luke 19:45-48

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday Blood Drive (8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.)
 Synod Meeting (9:45 a.m.) Jennings Hall
Monday Tai Chi (10:00 a.m.) Jennings Hall
 Line Dancing (6:15 p.m.) Jennings Hall
Tuesday Men of St. Joseph (6:00 p.m.) Joseph Hall
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 Officer's mtg (7:00 p.m.)
Friday Singing Needles (10:00 a.m.)

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONER:
Christian Rivera

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: QUESTIONS AND CONTEXT



It is important that we hear from everyone because it takes every person's voice and thoughts to form a church. We are here to listen and want you to feel safe to share your thoughts, comments, or questions. All responses will be totally anonymous. We all walk together in our faith and are here with an open heart and mind to listen to what you have to say. Fr. David has scheduled two meetings between the Masses on **Sunday, November 14th** and **Sunday, December 5th** at **9:45 a.m. in Jennings Hall** to give you the opportunity to voice your opinions.

SAVE THE DATES

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE



- ◆ Sunday, December 5th 6:30 p.m. in Church
- ◆ Sunday, December 19th 6:30 p.m. in Church



SPECIAL COLLECTION: St. Vincent De Paul Society will be standing at the doors with their blue buckets to accept your donations this weekend **November 13th and 14th**. Thank you for your generosity over the years as you continue to help our Friends in Need.

BLOOD DRIVE



Sunday, November 14th 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 The bloodmobile will be in our parking lot this **Sunday, November 14th**. "It's never been so simple to be significant. One pint of blood saves three lives." Plan on giving blood and help save three lives.

NEIGHBOR CENTER ANGEL TREE

What is The Neighbor Center and How can Our Savior help??



The Neighbor Center provides community-based reentry services to former inmates (returning neighbors) from local, state, or federal jails. Case managers provide services through referrals and support in establishing goals focused on stability and self-sufficiency.

This year Our Savior will be collecting items for the Neighbor Center starting **Saturday, November 13th**. They are in most need of White T-shirts, white briefs and white socks and reading glasses. Please select an ornament off the Neighbor Center Angel Tree in the back of the church and then drop off your donations by **Sunday, November 26th**. If you prefer for us to do the shopping for you, you can go to Online giving, then go to Neighbor Center and donate there. Thank You for your support in this ministry, Lonnie & Tina
 Below are instructions for online giving or you can look for the link in this week's Constant Contact.
[oursaviorparish.org](#) then click on **Online giving** then on **Neighbor Center**

*"The most deadly poison of our times is indifference."
 – St. Maximilian Kolbe*

SPECIAL COLLECTION next weekend for Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous.

Anticipated Offering Income	\$	12,115
Actual Offering Income	\$	16,844
Anticipated Offering Income to date	\$	545,192
Actual Offering Income to date	\$	531,206
YTD Offering: Over (Under)	\$	(13,986)
Budget Offering Year	\$	630,000
Building Fund this week	\$	288
Building Fund to date	\$	7,896

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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We will not have Adult RE Sunday, Nov. 14, Nov 28, and Dec. 5. Class on Nov. 21 will cover the final chapter of Fr. Pacwa's book. On Dec 12 we will have a class on The Rosary. Classes resume Jan 9, 2022, and we will be reading and discussing Dr. Scott Hahn's *The Lamb's Supper* and the study guide for that book. For more information please contact Eileen Rettig at 251-661-8619 or emrettig@aol.com



Light Your Lamps (Luke 12.35)."

With just four short weeks, Advent can seem to just fly by. So, we must make every day count to fully prepare for the Christ Child's arrival. As Jesus told His Disciples: "Light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks (Luke 12.35-36)." We too are called to be servants to help others get ready for Jesus's knock. Invite the inactive Catholics in your life to the Advent Masses and a glorious Christmas Mass. Let them know they are most welcome to again receive the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation that Jesus gives us as a most precious Christmas gift to prepare us to receive the Holy Eucharist. Invite them also to *Catholics Returning Home*, six short sessions that help them prepare to receive these sacraments in the true Christmas spirit. There are no fees and dress is casual. Yet, these informal sessions will help them keep their true Christmas lights burning bright all year. Our Savior Parish is sponsoring the Mobile Deanery's CRH sessions this Christmas season at Our Savior Parish starting **January 6, 2022 at 7 PM**. For more information and to register, call Eileen Rettig at 251661-8619.

PRIESTER'S PECANS HAVE ARRIVED!

Thank You to everyone who placed an order. Your orders are ready for pick up if you haven't done so already. We still have a few extras for sale! These will make great hostess gifts, teachers' gifts, and office gifts, stop by Tina's office to see what's available or We will have everything for sale at the Merry Mart on Sunday, November 21st. All proceeds support Our Saviors Youth and their Summer Service trip to Alive in You 2022!

We still have a few different items available for sale.

Still available for \$16.50 for 1 lb. bag

Pecan Halves & Pieces
Roasted & Salted
Honey Glazed
Pecan Divinity

Still available for \$13 for 1 lb. bag

Chocolate Pecans
Back Country Snack Mix

Other Items

Roasted & Salted Peanuts for \$5.50
Pecan Candy Christmas Gift Tin \$18
Pecan Variety Pinwheel \$15
Sweet & Savory Snacks Gift Tin \$23.50
Betsy's Classic Cheese Straws \$18



COMMUNION SERVICE Tuesday through Friday this week while Fr David is away in Italy.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATES/EVENTS



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUTH MINISTRY!

We are 1 week away from the 15th Annual Merry Mart and Santa's Workshop! Looking for about 5 or 6 Volunteers Youth and or Adults to help us out. Please let Ms. Tina know if you are available between Noon -4 on the 21st. Those that volunteered to donate items to either the Raffle Baskets or Food items please drop off as soon as possible. Still in need of chips & drinks. All proceeds will help our youth and their chaperones to attend Alive in You 2022!

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SAVE the DATE for

2 more special gatherings before the end of the year!
Watch for more details on both these events!!

- **Sunday, December 5th** from 2-3:30 We will be making Advent Wreaths and have a few extra special Advent projects!
- **Saturday, December 11th** from 6:30-8pm We will gather for Christmas Caroling, S'mores around the fire!

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Youth group is open to all youth in the 2nd through 5th grade and their families along with 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

PREP classes are in full swing. Due to COVID protocols we are unable to accept any more students. We are happy to place late enrollees on a waiting list. For that same reason, students may not bring friends to PREP classes. Everyone entering the building must receive a temperature check and wear a mask. The remaining classes for 2021 are November 14 and 21, December 5 and 12.



SAVE THE DATE!

The 15th Annual Mart is only 1 week away!
Sunday, November 21st
Noon-4p.m. Jennings Hall

Enjoy your holiday shopping and fun under one roof! You will find the perfect gift for everyone on your list! Enjoy handmade gifts (wreaths, wood art, handmade cards by Jan) and lots of yummys by local designers & businesses. (Hubbell's Heart Jellies, Jams, cookies & cake, and Annette's Yummy for your Tummy cupcakes) We will also have Scentsy, Priestess Pecans, Plants & Yard Art, Limelife by Alcone, Mary Kay and Jewelry. Just to name a few.

OUR SAVIOR YOUTH

will also be sponsoring:

- Santa's Workshop (kiddos can shop too!)
- Gift Wrapping
- Concession booth with yummy food!
- Raffle Baskets

SANTA's CAFÉ

in Joseph Hall

Menu:

Pulled BBQ Pork Sandwiches
Hot Dogs
Chips
Assorted drinks

JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL SHOPPING EXPERIENCE!

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Office Manager and Bookkeeper

Our Savior Parish is looking for a full-time office manager and part-time bookkeeper, available beginning Feb. 2022. Salary commensurate with background and experience. A Catholic in good standing is preferred for the position of office manager. If interested, please submit curriculum vitae and references to office@oursaviorparish.org. Interviews will begin in January.