## **Our Divine Savior Church**



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## **January 16, 2022**

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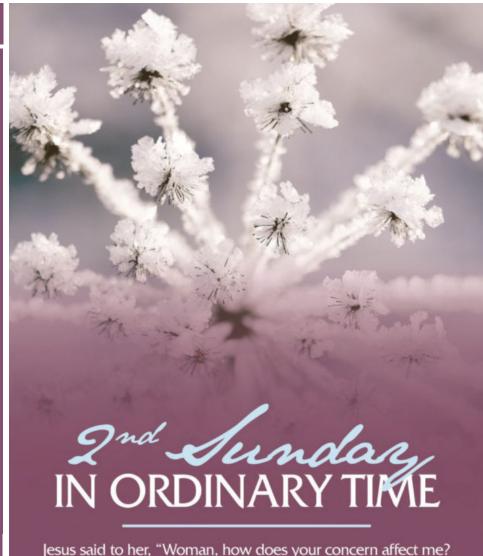
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Saturday Vigil 5 PM & Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Weekdays Tuesday-Friday 8:30 am

Confessions
Tues-Friday 9:00 am
or by appointment
Call or email the office.

Masks are required!



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My hour has not yet come." - In 2:4

MISSION STATEMENT Our Divine Savior Parish, a Roman Catholic community, nourished by God's grace and the sacraments, embraces the mission of Jesus Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we live the gospel through our worship of God and through loving service to one another and to the greater community.

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## **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK** First Reading:

The prophet Isaiah used marriage imagery (bridge and groom) to describe the Lord's love for his people, Israel. What do you see as some implications of this marriage imagery?

## **Second Reading:**

Paul taught the Corinthians that the individual gifts of the Holy Spirit are meant to benefit and unify the community of faith. How do you use your spiritual gifts within your faith community?

## Gospel:

Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana was one of the first public "signs" he performed revealing his divinity. It also showed Jesus' compassion, sparing the family shame at running short of wine. How do you imagine the family reacted to Jesus' intervention and rescue? LPi



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.

## **Weekly Observances**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday: Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Week of Prayer for Christian Tuesday:

Unity

Wednesday:

Saturday:

St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Thursday:

St. Sebastian, Martyr

St. Agnes, Virgin and Friday: Martyr

> Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn

Children

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Next Sunday:

Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin LPi

## READINGS

## Cycle C January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10

[3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21

and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-

28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps

144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-

10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/

Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2

-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8,

9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat.	15	5:00pm	Richard Schultz, d, (Sharon McQuirk)
Sun	16	8:00	Mass for the People
		10:00	Florence Feder, d, (Feder Family)
Mon.	17		
Tues	18	8:30	Leween Van Horn, Birthday, (Michael Gainok)
Wed	19	8:30	Guadalupe Vasquez, d, (SVdP)
Thurs	20	8:30	Living & Deceased Parishioners of ODS
Fri	21	8:30	Living & Deceased Parishioners of ODS

## **GOSPEL MEDITATION** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus. ©LPi



When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." — 10 2:3-5

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## **PARISH NEWS**



## From the Pastor's Desk... Cor unum et anima una (Acts 4:32)

**Pastor's Mission Statement:** Appointed as a servant-leader of Our Divine Savior Catholic Church and in the light of the Parish Mission, I commit myself to empower, inspire and help each parishioner to be in "one heart and one mind" (Acts 4:32) in the liturgical, sacramental, spiritual and social celebrations and prayers to build an Amazing Parish.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit;

there are different forms of service but the same Lord;

there are different workings but the same God

who produces all of them in everyone.

To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom;

to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit;

to another, faith by the same Spirit;

to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit;

to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy;

to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues.

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these,

distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:4-11, Today's Second Reading)



Last Sunday, on the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus, we were reminded that by our own Baptism, we were commissioned to go out to the world. Almost all of us have attended and witnessed a Baptism being celebrated during Mass in our Church. All the Baptismal symbols used in the celebration speak deeply of our mission, this mission that originally came from Christ.

In order for us to be an Amazing Parish, first and foremost we have to predicate that the family is the basic unit of society and the small domestic church. A child born in a family is joined to the Church by Baptism. Just as the human family consists of different members and roles, St. Paul in his letter to the Christians in Corinth, has explained clearly, directly and particularly the manifestations of the Holy Spirit to us in terms of gifts and talents. It is, therefore, a challenge for us to look into our gifts and talents that the Holy Spirit has infused in us in the building up of the Church of Christ.

As we are in the first phase, the parish level, of the Synod of Bishops while reflecting on the Synodality of the Church through mission, communion and participation, we invoke the holy Name of Jesus and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to listen to the promptings of the Holy in our lives as we discern the gifts He has distributed to each one of us. To continue the mission of Christ, to foster Communion and to encourage Participation, one speaks, either verbally or nonverbally, and the other listens. We would like to listen to you. The voice of the Father thundered during the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River. Today, we must first, "Listen to Him!" before we can journey together. Mission, Communion, and Participation will make us an Amazing Parish.

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

Tom Claiborne
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Please note: in order to keep our Prayer List current, names will remain on the list for 4 weeks.

## PARISH NEWS

## COLLECTION DEC. 20—DEC. 26, 2021

Sunday	\$ 3,286.00
P&I	500.00
Christmas	8,204.37

## Online Donations

Sunday	\$ 331.00
P&I	55.00
Christmas	65.00

#### **COLLECTION**

## DEC. 27, 2021—JAN. 2, 2022

Sunday	\$ 4,768.45
P&I	1,819.00
Christmas	3,205.00

### **Online Donations**

Sunday	\$ 371.00
P&I	20.00
Christmas	285.00

## Monthly Budget Report December, 2021

Budgeted Expense \$ 40,870.86 Actual Income 57,592.71 Net Operating Gain 16,721.85

## Thank you for your continuing generosity to ODS

## **Second Collections**

Jan. 29/30	Youth Ministry
Feb. 05/06	Projects & Initiatives





Sunday, January 30th after the 8am and 11am Masses Join us for good food and fellowship!

## The Pope Speaks to Us About Synodality

"Synodality starts with hearing from the whole People of God. A Church that teaches must be firstly a Church that listens. What characterizes a synodal path is the role of the Holy Spirit. We listen, we discuss in groups, but above all we pay attention to what the Spirit has to say to us. That is why I ask everyone to speak frankly and to listen carefully to others because, there, too, the Spirit is speaking.

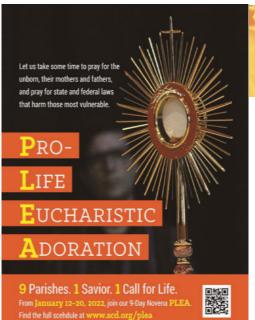
"These are processes that take time, that demand maturity, perseverance, and decision. They call for sowing seeds that others will be able to harvest.

"First: We need a respectful, mutual listening, free of ideology and predetermined agendas. Second: Sometimes this new thing means resolving disputed questions through overflow (the grace of the Holy Spirit). But the overflow might equally mean an invitation to change our way of thinking. Ours is a God of Surprises! Third: This is a patient process. Discerning in the midst of conflict requires us sometimes to pitch camp together, waiting for the skies to clear.

"Time belongs to the Lord. Trusting in Him, we move forward with courage, building unity through discernment, to discover and implement God's dream for us, and the paths of action ahead.

"Once we were not a people; but now we are God's people. What does it mean to be "a people"? It is a thought category, a mythical concept, not in the sense of a fantasy or a fable but as a particular story that makes a universal truth tangible and visible. (We share) a collective wisdom and memory. Great calamities awaken the memory of that original liberation and unity. Times of tribulation offer the possibility that what oppresses the people - both internally and externally, - can be overthrown, and a new age of freedom begin. The feeling of being a part of a people can only be recovered in the same way as it was forged: in shared struggle and hardship. A people is not merely the sum of individuals. It is a living reality that is the fruit of a shared integrating principle. To speak of the people is to offer an antidote to the perennial temptation of creating elites. To speak of a people is to appeal to unity in diversity. We take up the tensions which are normal in any human grouping, but without needing to resolve them by one element prevailing over the others.

"If the Church has a particular role to play at times of crisis, it is precisely to remind the people of its soul, of its need to respect the common good. This is what Jesus did."





January 22, 2022 marks the 49th anniversary of the lamentable 1973 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, Roe v. Wade. In the Diocese of Sacramento, January 21, 2022 is designated as a Diocesan Day of Reparation. All are asked to observe this Day of Reparation through fasting, prayer, penance and works of mercy.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Religious Education and Sacrament Preparation Contact the Religious Education Office for questions, 530-345-6201

## **Sharing the Gospel**

Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." That's the smartest thing any of us can do.

## Prayer

Dear God, help me to do everything you say. I know you can do anything.

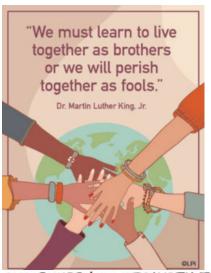
## Something to Draw

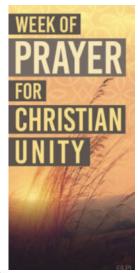
Draw a picture of the wedding servants listening carefully to Jesus.

## Mission for the Week

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.

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## RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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The "Vocation Cross" program is an opportunity for families to pray daily for vocations to the religious life and priesthood in their homes. The Vocation Cross will be presented at the end of weekend Mass. Along with the cross, suggested prayers will be given. After one week, the family who takes the cross home returns the cross to the Church and another family will have the opportunity to take the cross home. This program will be on-going. Is your family interested in participating? If so, please call or email the parish office.

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## LIVE THE LITURGY

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing! ©LPi

# 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco

**Because Women Deserve Better than Abortion** 

## WalkforlifeWC.com

Saturday January 22, 2022 Your Care, Your Voice, Your presence, Their lives,

Stand for the most defenseless among us.

## We will NOT be having a bus this year.

To go you will need to provide your own transportation Be prepared to walk 4 miles and carry your food and water.

## Event schedule:

Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral IIII Gough St.10:30 am
Talks by Silent No More 10:45-12:15 Civic Center
Info Faire 11:00-12:30 Civic Center
Rally Speakers 12:30-1:30 Civic Center
Actual Walk down Market Street to the Embarcadero - 1:30

For those who don't go you can go Please pray for the success and safety of this mission. To change the perceptions of a society that think abortion is an answer. Abortion does violence to women and to their children.

#### FAMILY ROOM

WRITTEN BY TERRY MATTHEWS

Here we are, Lord!

"Here I Am, Lord! I come to do your will." Have you noticed a sense of unease, the feeling you ought to be doing something about the state of our Church and our world? That "still, small voice" may be the sound of the Holy Spirit speaking! Sometimes we have a firm sense of direction and we know what we must do. Sometimes we are reluctant or too busy to listen. Now is the time to listen

This is our final week for prayer and discernment before the Synod Listening Sessions. It isn't too late to sign up for the synod! It's easy to RSVP (so we have enough coffee and goodies for everyone). Just call Tatiana (521-7502) or Angela (520-6999) to register. If you decide at the last minute you hear God's call, please come. No one will be turned away. We will gather at 9:45 on January 22, next Saturday, in the Social Hall. Coffee, goodies, and fellowship will lead up to the formal presentation from the diocese and the listening time. The fliers outside the church present the questions we will address. We will finish promptly at 12:15.

The synod listening sessions are a holy time. Our prayers are needed and will bear fruit in an openness to listen to the stories of one another. This openness of heart to the Holy Spirit's guidance can lead us to discover our individual path as we grow in faith and community. All of us are urged to reflect, discern, and prepare our hearts.

The listening sessions are a unique way to share our spiritual journeys. They are not a time for problem-solving, complaining, or discussion. They are an opportunity for each of us to speak, as we are led by the Spirit, our own vision and longings and to listen to our brothers and sisters.

Your story is important. You are called. You are needed.





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