

Our Divine Savior Catholic Church

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Mr. James Burkett, Deacon



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm, Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am, Morning Mass: 8:00 am (Monday-Friday)
Confessions: Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2015

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food
in due season.

— Psalm 145:15

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.

"Where two or more are gathered, there am I."

PARISH PERSONNEL

**DIRECTOR OF
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Jennifer Forward, 345-6201

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
Cecelia Dickman, 802-1608

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Janet Bertagna, 343-4248
ourdivines@yahoo.com

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SOCIAL HALL MANAGER**

Rich Ripp, 518-3811

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Rob Sheridan, 680-4294
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PART-TIME SECRETARY

Bunny Ripp, 343-4248
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CUSTODIAN SERVICES

Scott & Judy Keller, 898-8512

NURSERY CARE

Juliet Polk, 893-8092
Rienna Boe, 342-4919

Website:

www.ourdivinesavior.org

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

10:00 am-3:00 pm



PARISH INFORMATION

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF
ADULTS**

Parish Office, 343-4248

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Deacon James Burkett, 893-2348

SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

By appointment, 6 months in advance. Call the Parish Office

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sundays from 10:05am - 10:50am in the Parish Hall

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During the 11:00am Mass - Matt & Pamela Meuter, 566-0425

**PARISH MINISTRIES /
ORGANIZATIONS**

ALTAR SERVERS

Kay & Dave Brandt, 343-8331

**BEREAVEMENT /FUNERAL
RECEPTION COMMITTEE**

Tamara La Rossa, 809-1782

BULLETIN

ourdivines@yahoo.com , 343-4348
Deadline: Monday, 3:00 pm
Bulletin Advertising: Please call the Parish Office, 343-4248

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Greta Souza, 899-9938

CATHOLIC LADIES RELIEF SOCIETY

Susan Struble, 345-4642

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Deacon James Burkett, 893-2348

CHOIR

Choir rehearsal held weekly on Wednesday, 7:00-8PM in church. Contact Cecelia Dickman, 802-1608

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Lyn Dorenzo, 891-8026

FLOWER DONATIONS

Pat Mulholland, 891-8342
Norina Egan, 342-2027

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

Contact Deacon James Burkett, 893-2348, Sharon Haselton, 891-5334, or Nancy Overton, 899-1600.

INNER HEALING MINISTRY

Derette Layne, 530-588-4386 for a confidential appointment.

JESUS CENTER

Randy Linquist, 894-0460

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #13765

Mike Ferguson, 343-7178

LEGION OF MARY

Claire Richard, 893-1722

LITURGY MINISTRY

Joanie Frericks, 345-4283

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER and
VOCATIONS COMMITTEE**

Deacon James & Stephanie Burkett, 893-2348

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Friday mornings, 6-7AM in the Knights of Columbus Room at ODS Parish. Contact Deacon Steve Schwartz, 891-0626.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK
& HOMEBOUND**

Maureen Vogel—Please call Parish Office, 343-4248.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Dave Abbott, 891-1491

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jim Earney, 918-520-1161

PRO-LIFE CATHOLIC MINISTRY

Mary Waldorf, 345-8638

PRO-LIFE ROSARY GROUP

This group meets the 1st Thursday of the month in the ODS Prayer Room, 6-7 PM. Diane Lusk, 519-9749.

SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITIES

If interested in joining one of the Small Church Communities, contact Carol Weigel, 343-3885

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Barbara O'Brien, 680-7917

TORRES SHELTER

Rich Nichols, 520-4418

WELCOMING MINISTRY

Charlie McCarthy, 520-0334

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday mornings 9-11AM in the ODS Prayer Room. Everyone is welcome. Contact Terry Matthews, 893-1644



Feeding the World

With today's two accounts of feeding miracles and the psalm response about the Lord's hand feeding us, it is easy to gloss over the marvelous hymn in Ephesians. It is built around the most potent biblical numbers: one, three, and seven. The core of it is the word "one" expressed seven times. Three of these describe the church: one body, one Spirit, one hope; the next three are the foundations of the church: one Lord [Jesus], one faith, one baptism. All of these are bound up together in the one Father of all. While we might feel daunted by the prospect of duplicating the wonders worked by Elisha and Jesus in the feeding of multitudes, Ephesians gives us a more realistic way to live and "feed" others as the church: by living in humility and gentleness, by acting with patience, bearing with each other in love, and always seeking and striving to preserve unity through peace. Who among us cannot increase the way we "feed" the church and the world by living this way? We are always called upon to "feed"

the world in the literal sense; but our mission as church tells us that others are also fed by the way we live and act each moment of each day.

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Weekly Readings

- Monday:** Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday:** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday:** Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Thursday:** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
- Friday:** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday:** Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
- Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

First Reading — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

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Mass Intentions

- Sat 25 5:00** Chepita Cuadra, d (Dabrowski/Cuadra Family)
George Leaver, d (Raymond Leaver)
- Sun 26 7:30** Anthony Kirwald, d (Louise Richie)
Mark Gaston, d (Rich & Bunny Ripp)
George Leaver, d (Raymond Leaver)
- 9:00** Ben L. Bertagna, d (Andy & Janet Bertagna)
- 11:00** Kathleen Abigail Fischer, Newly Baptized (Ruth Fischer)
Pat Ward, d (Tom & Mary Ann Ward)
- Mon 27 8:00** Mary Louise Odonez, d (Cuadra/Dabrowski Family)
- Tue 28 8:00** Intentions from Hear Our Prayer Book
- Wed 29 8:00** Living & Deceased Parishioners of ODS
- Thu 30 8:00** Edward Dabrowski, d (Cuadra/Dabrowski Family)
- Fri 31 8:00** Conjeccion Reyes, d (Azelia Vidal)



Parish Finances Collection for July 18-19, 2015

Sunday	\$5,257.05
Projects/Initiatives	\$445.00
Torres Shelter	\$15.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$50.00
St. Francis/St. Clare	\$5.00

*Thank you for your generosity support.
Your ongoing donations are essential in
helping us meet the many needs of the
parish and community.*

Inner-Healing Ministry

Are You Ready To Step Out of the Boat?

You may remember the story about Jesus walking on the water towards the disciples.

The story is located in Matthew, Chapter 14. The disciples were several miles off shore when they saw him walking on the sea and they were terrified. It is ghost they said and cried out in fear. Then Jesus spoke to them. He said, "take courage, it is I". Peter said to him in reply, "Lord if it is you command me to come out of the boat and walk on the water." We know the rest of the story. Peter got out of the boat and proceeded to walk toward Jesus. Then he saw how strong the wind was and became afraid. Peter began to sink and cried out to Jesus to same him. Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him.

Our faith is a lot like Peter's. We are full of faith one minute and the next crying out to Jesus for help. Some may wonder how we can maintain a strong faith. The answer is very simple. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to be our comforter, guide, and most of all builder of our faith.

If you want to see you faith increase so you can walk on water, then please call the Inner-Healing Ministry at 530.588.4386.

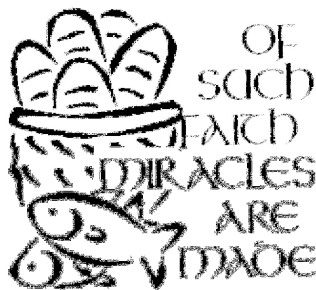
Catholic Renewal Convention

September 4-6, at the Anaheim Convention Center.

Children's Program includes: bible teaching, live music, skits, arts & crafts, games, and prayer experience.

The Young Adult schedule of topics include: You Were Made for More, making healthy connections, The Truth Will Set You Free, and Encountering God's Personal Touch. Visit

src.org/convention/2015 for more information.



RCIA

Have you been visiting the Catholic Church as a visitor? Do you come to Mass with family and/or friends but have never been Baptized or Confirmed in the Catholic faith? Welcome! We have a place for you to inquire and learn more about the Catholic faith if you have been thinking about joining the Church. This opportunity to learn about our faith is not a commitment to join the Church. It is an opportunity to get answers to your questions and consider a Journey of Faith through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) process. For information, call the Religious Education office, 345-6201.

***Regular RCIA classes will begin
on Thursday, September 10th and
will meet Thursday evenings from
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.***

Hospital Ministry

One of the most fulfilling ministries is that of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist to hospitalized patients (bringing Communion to hospital patients). We are looking for individuals who would be interested in volunteering one morning a week (roughly 1-3 hours) or every other week, to those who are hospitalized at Enloe Hospital. We are planning a training meeting this fall at ODS with Fr. Francis Stevenson and other trained ministers. You do not need experience in the medical field to do this ministry. Please feel free to call Gail Boswell @891-4709 or the parish office at Our Divine Savior at 343-4248 and someone will get back to you.



Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers:

Sandra Hughes	David Jeffries
Claire Johnston	Pat Bell
Janet Grens	Marie Vieira
Calvin Foster	Kathleen Ramey
Leo Crampton	Fran England
Terry Thomas	Jamesie Sullivan
Mary Sams	Steven Riley
Elaine Puritz	Pam Kruger
Gayle Hoaney	Dr. James Hine
Claire Richard	

Please note: In order to keep our prayer list current, names will remain on the list for 4 weeks. Please resubmit after that time by contacting the Parish Office, 343-4248.

Pilgrimage to Italy

Pope Francis declares a Jubilee year of Mercy. A pilgrimage to Italy is planned for March 5-15, 2016 under the spiritual direction of Father Simon Twomey.

The tour includes Rome, the Vatican, San Giovanni Rotondo (home of Padre Pio), Pompeii, Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi, Naples and more. Father will meet us in Italy.

The price is \$3850 per person, double occupancy, round trip from Sacramento. Price is all inclusive except for lunch and insurance. For more information and a brochure please contact Cathie Ensel 530-274-1991 or cell 530 277-4313.

Marriage Encounter

Married Couples

By offering Married Couples the beautiful experience of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend, the Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation – Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled weekend away together.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is on August 21-23, 2015.

For more information contact Deacon James and Stephanie Burkett 893-2348 or sacramentowwme.org.

**Knights of Columbus
Officers meeting in the
Knights room on
Tuesday, July 28th at
6:45pm.**



St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel, Jesus supersedes both the apostles' and the crowds' expectations: with little he feeds many... Jesus is the sign of God's lavish presence and love. Your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is indeed a sign of God's extravagant love to the lonely and the poor.

Last month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 12 families, providing food, utility assistance, mattresses, rent, and other items.

God Bless You!

Mass times for Travelers

This ministry helps Catholics get to Mass by helping them find churches and worship times worldwide.

**They provide worship times, church locations, contact information, website links and maps.
Contact Masstimes.org**

Notre Dame School

**is now accepting applications for
ALL GRADES (Transitional
Kindergarten through 8th grade)
for the 2015-16 school year!**

There are currently openings in all grades, but a couple of grades are nearly full. If you are considering Notre Dame, now is the time to contact our principal, Terri Sobieralski, at 342-2502 or tsobieralski@ndschico.org for more information or to set up a school tour.

Reflections

MORE THAN JUST FOOD FOR THE SOUL:

The account of Jesus' feeding the 5000 is the Lord's only miracle that is recorded in all four of the Gospels. Obviously, the leaders of the earliest church were convinced that particular miracle from Jesus' public ministry needed to be passed down to the Church of all ages and that includes us!

As magnificent and impressive as this miracle is, it portrays much more than Jesus' "muscles and might." It shows our total dependence upon the mercy of God to meet even our simplest needs, the compassion of God to respond to those needs. This miracle feeding teaches us also, that we must play a part in any miracle God works. Our faith is the beginning, offering whatever we might have comes next, and then God will begin to work. Without those few loaves and fishes, how many would still be hungering?

Mercy High School Fundraiser

Trinity Golf Classic Tournament

Saturday, August 1, 2015

4:00 pm at Oak Creek Golf Course

\$65.00 per player/\$260 per team

Not a golfer? Come out and enjoy the festivities from our outdoor observation area and patio! Appetizers, dinner and dessert, and two drink tickets for just \$20.00 per person.

Please contact Sabrina Rhodes at 529-4439 or (916) 960-3668 for more information.

Religious Education

Religious Education Classes

It is nearly time to register for a new year of religious education classes. Look for information in an email, in your mailbox, on our website, and after Mass beginning August 1st and 2nd. Religious Education classes for kindergarten through 6th grade take place on Sunday mornings from 10:05AM-10:50AM in the social hall beginning September 13th.

Sacraments for students

Families wishing to prepare their children for sacraments this year, Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Confirmation, can register now. Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion takes place on the second Thursday of each month in the social hall. Preparation for Confirmation is every Wednesday in the social hall. Contact the Religious Education office for details and schedules by calling 345-6201 or accessing our website at www.ourdivinesavior.org

Save the Date

Every year we offer an orientation for our Religious Education program. This year, orientation for all NEW K-6th families will be on Sunday, September 27th in the social hall during regular classes. Find out how you can best pass on our Catholic Faith to your children with the help of your Parish.

The required orientation for Confirmation will be Wednesday, September 2nd from 7-8:30PM in the social hall. Parents and students both need to attend.

Required orientation for families preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be Thursday, September 10th from 6-7:30 in the social hall. Sacrament Preparation is designed for students and parents to attend together.

Retreats

San Damiano Retreat—Danville CA
www.sandamiano.org

Mercy Retreat Center—Auburn CA
www.mercycenter.org

Youth Ministry

Scavenger Hunt
Youth Room Hangout

Dive Deep Bible Study

**Join us on Wednesday at 7:00 PM for
our last episode of scripture
through the lens of the
Television Series A.D. The Bible !**

ODS Website

ourdivinesavior.org

Have you taken the time to see our updated website online? You will be able to find present and past bulletins, the monthly calendar, forms, upcoming events, Mass schedules, special events and much more. Take a moment to look it over so you don't miss a thing at ODS!

Check us out!!

Parish Facebook page



Have you seen our parish's new Facebook page? Log in to get up-to-date information about what is happening in our parish and with our many ministries. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/ODSChico>

If you would like to promote your parish ministry's event or activity via Facebook please contact our Social Media Specialist Rob Sheridan via email odsyouth@yahoo.com

Updating Address

If you are moving or have recently moved, please let us know of your change of address. If you have not been receiving your parish contribution envelopes, or have had a change of phone number, an addition to the family, or you are new to our parish, please fill out a Parish Registration form, so that we may update our records. Thank you!

Diocesan News



4—Part Liturgy Specialization Workshop Series Begins this August

The Liturgical Commission of the Diocese of Sacramento in partnership with the Department of Evangelization and Catechesis will present a four-part series of workshops designed to provide comprehensive liturgical catechesis. The training will be rooted in the teachings of the Church and offer practical instruction and formation to anyone involved in liturgical ministry. The program will result in 40 hours of training and complements the Basic Ministry Certificate. Sessions will be held on Friday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at various locations and the cost to participate in the entire series is \$100, or \$35 per workshop. Deadline for early registration is August 14. Late registration per session is \$45. For more information, visit www.scd.org

Session 1: Aug. 28-29 These Sacred Mysteries: Foundations of Sacred Liturgy—(St. Anthony Parish, Sacramento)

Session 2: Oct. 23-24 Source and Summit: Sacraments of Initiation—(Holy Trinity Parish, El Dorado Hills)

Session 3: Jan. 22-23 Medicine of Mercy: Sacraments of Healing —(Holy Spirit Parish, Fairfield)

Session 4: March 4-5 The Joy of the Gospel: Sacraments in Service to the Church & the World—(SS Peter & Paul Parish, Rocklin)

Family Room

Summertime - Are You Feeling Frayed Around the Edges?

Many of us look forward to the lazy days of summer all year long. We can't wait for the long daylight hours, the less hectic lifestyle, the sitting in the evening to enjoy Chico's lovely nights. The change in rhythm from the routines of the school year can bring a much-needed relief to our overbooked lives. Families with younger children can sleep in, arrange play dates, and relax. Those of us who are past the school years tend to book travel and vacations and enjoy the quieter pace.

Are you feeling frazzled in spite of the summer "freedom"? Could it be that your freedom includes a more relaxed, maybe lax, attitude toward your faith and faith community? Our attendance at weekly Mass is a much-needed reset for our spiritual lives. It is a chance to remember what is REALLY important, and it isn't the next Margarita! If you find yourself short-tempered and disconnected, perhaps it is a reflection of not enough spiritual "food."

Fortunately in this age of internet it is easy to find Mass opportunities even when on the road. Often there is a delightful local church to visit, and the Mass times are just a click away. (See the web site in this bulletin for starters.) We are so blessed that our God never takes a vacation from looking out for our needs. Can we give Him the same respect and recognize His importance in our lives?



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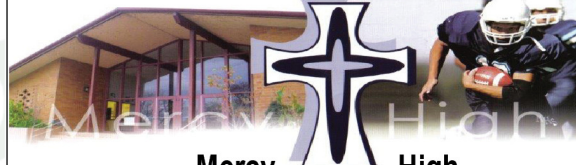


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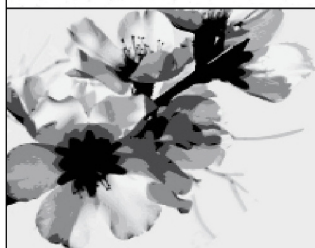
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