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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.– Fri. 10:00am-3:00pm



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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

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.

PARISH PERSONNEL

FACILITY MANAGER

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danlayneods@gmail.com

OFFICE

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Gale Golden, Office Assistant
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530-343-4248

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PARISH MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Director of RCIA:
Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett, 893-2348
rciaods2@yahoo.com

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 (SH)
Wednesdays from 7-8 pm (SH)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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

PARISH MINISTRIES /ORGANIZATIONS

ALTAR SERVERS

Dan & Derette Layne, 521-6520

BEREAVEMENT /FUNERAL RECEPTION COMMITTEE

Tamara La Rossa, 809-1782

BIBLE STUDY

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

BULLETIN

ourdivines@yahoo.com, 343-4248
Deadline: Friday, by 1:00 pm
Bulletin Advertising: Please call the Parish
Office, 343-4248

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

Sharon McQuirk, 530-570-0181
Carole Claiborne, 530-228-9701

CATHOLIC LADIES RELIEF SOCIETY

Kathy Lanphear, 899-7783

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Deacon James Burkett,
893-2348

CHOIR

Children's: Tuesday, 4:30-5:30pm
Adults: Tuesday, 7-8pm
Both in the Social Hall. Contact Cecelia
Dickman, 802-1608,
odsmusicdirector@gmail.com

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Lyn Dorezo, 891-8026

FLOWER DONATIONS

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

INNER HEALING MINISTRY

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

JESUS CENTER

Randy Linquist, 894-0460

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #13765

Steve Mormann, 410-5882

LEGION OF MARY

Claire Richard, 893-1722

LITURGY COMMITTEE

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

Bunny Ripp
Please call Parish Office,
343-4248.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Steve Appleby, 899-1672

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dave Scott, 343-2484

PRO-LIFE CATHOLIC MINISTRY

We meet the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays
of the month in the ODS,
Social Hall #4, 6-8:30 PM.
Mary Waldorf, 345-8638

PRO-LIFE ROSARY GROUP

This group meets the 1st Thursday
of the month in the
Social Hall, #4, 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

Judith Rojas, 342-2676

TORRES SHELTER

Rich Nichols, 520-4418



READINGS

Week of February 11, 2018

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 [77a]/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: J 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	10	5:00	† Karen Belczak Robinson, d, (Sullivan Family)
Sun	11	7:30	Madeline Ballew, Health, (Anonymous)
		9:00	Living & Deceased Parishioners of ODS
		11:00	† Sally Stoner, d, (Tom & Leola McCampbell)
Mon	12	8:00	Living & Deceased Parishioners of ODS
Tues.	13	8:00	† Sally Stoner, d, (Brian & Gail Boswell)
Wed	14	8:00	† John Decker, d (Pat Decker)
		6:00pm	Intentions From Hear Our Prayer Book
Thurs	15	8:00	† Stanley Korock, d, (Brian & Gail Boswell)
Fri	16	8:00	† Charles Gainok, d (Michael & Laurel Gainok)



The flu, colds and influenza are still around us.

Please continue to observe the temporary rules for not holding hands during the Our Father and just smile and say: "Peace be with you" during the sign of Peace.

We ask that everyone receive the host in the hand and not in the mouth. This is for the protection of you, our priest, Eucharistic Ministers and those receiving Communion behind you.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

February 11, 2018 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We may not like it, but generosity and risk often go hand-in-hand. At least, that's what Jesus shows us in today's Gospel as a leper approaches him for healing. Until the nineteenth century, lepers were shunned to the margins of society for fear of spreading the disease. To touch a leper was to risk becoming unclean yourself. In today's Gospel, Jesus defies convention. "Moved with pity, he reached out his hand, [and] touched him." The leper is healed! But this is not the only risk Jesus takes.

Before Jesus heals the man, he knows full well the desperate nature of his situation. Jesus knows that this man will be overjoyed upon being healed and that he just might tell everyone he knows. For a Messiah looking to temporarily fly under the radar, healing this particular leper might not be the best idea. Jesus heals anyway.

It can be easy to become *calculated* in our giving. If I go out of my way to help this person, how will it affect my reputation? How will this charitable donation affect my budget? How could I possibly make time to volunteer regularly? In today's Gospel, Jesus casts these concerns aside. He touches the untouchable. He reaches the unreachable. For his efforts, he receives a betrayal of his request for silence. "The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter." Before long "it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly." Jesus is forced to remain "outside in the deserted places." It would appear, perhaps, that he is unable to accomplish his mission.

When we take a risk to be generous, things might not follow the prescribed path. We might be disappointed. We also might be surprised! Our witness to radical generosity is attractive to a world in desperate need. Indeed, when Jesus took risks for love, "People kept coming to him from everywhere."

PARISH NEWS

This Week

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
COMMITMENT



Ash Wednesday Masses
February 14, 2018
8 am & 6 pm

THE 2018 APPEAL IS THE HEART OF MERCY IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal is our annual tradition that connects us to thousands of people who need our help every day. Our generous gifts to the Appeal help children find safety and hope, families break through desperate situations, marginalized individuals find the strength to rebuild lives of dignity, students in economically challenged communities remain in Catholic school, and seminarians prepare for priestly service in our parishes. We may not be social workers, yet we are at the heart of mercy when we put our resources in the hands of social service programs and parish ministries that help lift people out of poverty. Please be as generous as you can. Every gift makes a difference.

You make the difference



Every person 14 years of age or older must **abstain** from meat (and items made with meat) on **Ash Wednesday**, **Good Friday**, and all the **Fridays of Lent**. Every person between the age of 18 and 59 (beginning of 60th year) must **fast** on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**.

Collection for the month of January

Sunday	22,155.75
P & I	4,191.00
St F&C	30.00
SVdP	215.00
Torres	65.00

Jan On-line Donations

Sunday	4820.00
P&I	690.00
St F&C	12.50
SVdP	117.50

NEEDED: someone to play the Stabat Mater, between Stations, for the Stations of the Cross on Friday, February 16th, 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd. Please contact Joanie Frericks at 345-4283, if you are interested.

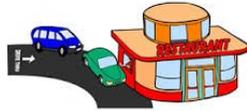
Please Keep In Your Prayers

Catherine Anderson Leola McCampbell Marie Vieira Esther Lund Larry & Kathy Grundmann Mary Kay Bringham Ryan Watts Bill Sheridan	Isabella Brazzale Joseph Cruz Wayne Burkett Jeff Carr Rueben Guerra Jo Ann Coules Vincent Lucido Melanie O'Connor	Joel Rivera Geoff Edmond John Hauder Elmer Silvera Madeline Ballew Janet Grens Rosemary Hull Tom Claiborne	Pat Bernadett Fr. Mike Newman
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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

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a **“Drive-Thru BBQ”** on Sunday, February 11th after the 11:00 Mass to support charitable causes in our parish and community. Pre-sale tickets can be purchased after all Masses on February 10th & 11th. If not sold out, tickets will be available at the door. The meal will include a southern style presentation of barbecued ribs(4 bones), potato salad, bread and mac n cheese with a cup of southern sweet tea. Have one more delicious meal before the start of Lent! You can purchase pre-sale tickets for \$10 each from a Knight outside Mass today. Please help them to help others in need. That's their thing you know!



Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross

Fridays: February 16, 23 & March 9, 16, 23

Soup is prepared by the ODS Ministries and served in the Social Hall at 6 pm. Stations follow at 7 pm in the Church.

MEN'S RETREAT
February 16-18, 2018.
 Don't delay!
 Register at:
christthekingretreatcenter.org

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"40 DAYS FOR LIFE"

We begin once again "Our 40 Days for Life" Prayer Vigil and Fasting for an end to Abortion starting on Ash Wednesday Feb 14th. Our KICKOFF Event will be on this Sunday Feb. 11th from 2 pm to 4 pm in the Prayer Room in the Office Building. All are Welcome to come and hear some Great Speakers tell their stories. Get more information and sign up to participate in this Peaceful, Prayerful Vigil. You can also go on line at: www.40daysforlife.com/chico OR Call Mary Waldorf [530-345-8638](tel:530-345-8638) or Diane Lusk [530-519-9749](tel:530-519-9749)

Everyday Stewardship

If you witnessed a miracle, wouldn't you want to tell everyone? If you saw the sun dance in the sky, a crippled man walk, or the Virgin Mary appear in front of you, wouldn't you just want to shout about it from a rooftop so all could hear? Maybe you would be afraid others would not believe you. You might choose instead to keep it to yourself to avoid criticism and ridicule. At least, if you saw a miracle, you would have a choice: to tell or not to tell.

Yet, at every Mass we witness a miracle. We witness bread and wine as it becomes the true presence of Jesus Christ. It isn't a saint or Mary appearing before us; it is actually Jesus! When was the last time you told anybody about that miracle?

It might not be easy for us to always talk about our faith, but we can show them. When we receive the Eucharist into our bodies, we become one with Christ. We go forth from the Mass as a living testimony of the miracle that occurred at Mass. People will not be able to simply look at us and see the evidence. We need to demonstrate to them the reality of this miracle by our good deeds and profound acts of charity. That is stewardship. That is bearing witness to the truth of our God being truly present to us. It is something we should want to share with everyone.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Ed Classes

Classes meet September through April. New students are **always** welcome! To register your student call or email the Religious Education office or simply come to our next class meeting. Our K-6th grade Religious Education classes meet on Sunday morning from 10:05-10:50AM between Masses. We also have a Wednesday night option from 7-8PM for 2nd-6th graders.

NOTRE DAME

“Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.” The theme for this year's National Catholic Schools Week encompassed the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, we, as educators, are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed. Notre Dame School is now enrolling for 2018-19! Interested in learning more? Contact our principal, Terri Schwabauer, at 342-2502 or tschwabauer@ndschico.org to set up a school tour.

Thanks to the generosity of many, Notre Dame School is able to provide several payment options that can be structured to the family financial situation, making Catholic school tuition more affordable than many think. If you would like more information about becoming a donor or applying for financial assistance, please contact our principal.



Youth Ministry meets in the Youth Room (Social Hall)

on Sundays from noon to 2PM.

Please check social media for youth schedule

More information can be found at odsyouthministry@yahoo.com.

Check Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or on the web.

Sharing the Gospel

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

Prayer

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself sick in bed.

Mission for the Week

Visit the sick. Make a card. Take a treat to share.

Give them something to read. Pray for them before you leave. You will brighten their day.

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RCIA

Rite of Sending

This weekend, February 11th at the 11 am Mass our parish is celebrating the Rite of Sending. We have two Catechumens, **Gary Brune** and **Zachary Stine**, who will receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, AND two Candidates, **Jeana Francis** and **Ryan Haley**, who will be receiving Confirmation and Eucharist at Easter.

They have been studying the faith for over 18 months and are now beginning their final preparation and purification leading to their initiation. They will be presented to Bishop Jamie Soto on February 17th for the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion. They have found strength in our Parish's prayers and example. Please continue to pray for them as they continue their journey.

WHO AM I TO JUDGE?

Responding to **Relativism** with **Logic and Love**

Feb 11th - Retreat

Feb 18th - Social

Feb 25th - The Lost Art of Living

Mar 4th - Moral Relativism

Mar 11th - How to Disagree

Mar 18th - Social

Mar 25th - No meeting

Apr 1st - No Meeting

Apr 8th - Exposing the Mask

Apr 15th - What is Truth

Apr 22nd - Social



PRAYER WORKSHOP TO DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Join us this Lenten season to transform your prayer life and achieve the peace and joy God promises.

Dan Burke, author of *Into the Deep: Finding Peace Through Prayer*, is presenting a half-day workshop featuring practical steps, inspiring stories and spiritual wisdom for anyone wanting a deeper, more fulfilling relationship with God.

Saturday, February 24

8:15 a.m. to noon

7:30 a.m. Mass (optional)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Tickets: \$20 per person (includes gift bag with book and free webinar access).

Tickets can be purchased at St. John the Baptist and ODS parish offices and after Masses this weekend.

For more information visit: spiritualdirection.com/events

Grief Education/Support Winter Series 2018

Are you struggling with the emotions you are experiencing after the loss of a loved one? Do you sometimes feel like you're going crazy? These are all a normal part of the healing grief process. We invite you to open your hearts to God's healing power and to learn more about this journey to a "new normal". A six week (6) series on "Grief, Education and Support", facilitated by Lyn Dorenzo and members of the ODS Consolation Ministry has begun and is being held on Saturdays from 10am-noon in the Parish Office. It is not too late to join us. For more information or to register, call Lyn at 891-8026 (evenings), or the church office at 343-4248.

Family Room

Outpouring of Support!

The ODS family really rose to the occasion to support our young people on their retreat! Not only was the retreat itself a great success, but the youth knew all of us were with them, providing prayer support and . . . FOOD! The community donated enough food that the young people were able to eat as much as they wanted as often as they wanted, and as we all know, the way to a teen's heart is through the stomach. As they enjoyed the treats they knew they were a part of our larger family.

The junior high young people of Chico were fully supported, and the donations were so generous that they were shared with the attendees at the high school retreat held at St. John's. Again, food is a sign that we are thinking of them and encouraging them on their faith walk.

Warmest thanks to all who donated food (and time and effort) to make these events memorable.

One of the blessings of living in Chico is the way the Catholic parishes work together to serve needs of all of our people. Many ministries overlap to provide services at a level that we could not handle by ourselves. The outreach to our youth is one of those services, but so is the shared support for guest speakers like Christ Stefanick (at ODS last year) and **Dan Burke** (coming to St. John's on February 24th). These nationally known inspirational speakers are in high demand, and only by offering them a *sell-out crowd* are they willing to come to a small place like Chico. All of us together, the Chico Catholic Community, can make this possible for everyone's benefit. Our spirit of cooperation is a gift.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE!

We are looking for individuals, pairs, or couples who would be interested in being back-up Mass Coordinators, for weekend Masses, especially for Holy Day Masses, morning and/or evening. It can be for a couple of times per year or on a regular schedule. Training and orientation will be provided. If you are interested, please contact Joanie Frericks at 345-4283.