

Our Divine Savior

— ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH —

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1967 - 2017

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Rev. R. Francis Stevenson, Pastor

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



**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

November 26, 2017

**“I was hungry and you gave me food,
I was thirsty and you gave me
drink.”**

— *Matthew 25:35*

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

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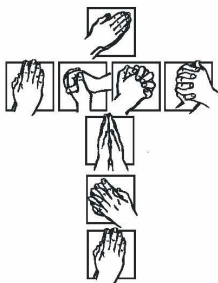
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Website:

www.ourdivinesavior.org

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday
10:00 am-3:00 pm



PARISH INFORMATION

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, odsmusicdirec-
tor@gmail.com

CONSOLATION MINISTRY

Lyn Dorenzo, 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, 680-7917

TORRES SHELTER

Rich Nichols, 520-4418





CHRIST, KING OF ALL

On this, the final Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only king over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation.

At the end of time as we know it, Christ's work of restoring all things to unity and harmony with their Creator God will be completed. This Sunday, when we claim Christ as both our Shepherd and our King, we recognize our own calling to participate in Christ's saving work by caring for those whom Jesus calls "the least ones" (Matthew 25:45).

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Weekly Readings

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56;
Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28;
Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11;
Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87;
Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7;
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9;
Mk 13:33-37

Today's Readings

First Reading — I will rescue my scattered sheep (Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — As in Adam all die, so too in Christ all shall be brought to life (1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28).

Gospel — Whatever you did to the least ones, you did to me (Matthew 25:31-46).

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Mass Intentions

Sat	25	5:00	Our Beloved Deceased Rita Frericks, d, (Joanie Frericks) Dorothy Vrisimo, d, (Vrisimo Family)
Sun	26	7:30	Our Beloved Deceased William Gainok, d, (Mike & Laurel Gainok) Brad Boswell, Happy Birthday, (Gail Boswell) Colleen Nelson, d, (C. Steffen Nelson)
		9:00	Our Beloved Deceased
		11:00	Our Beloved Deceased Theodore Wilcox, d, (His mother)
Mon	27	8:00	Our Beloved Deceased Barbara Santos, d, (Charlie McCarthy)
Tue	28	8:00	Our Beloved Deceased John Decker, d, (Pat Decker)
Wed	29	8:00	Our Beloved Deceased Marion Perry, d, (Perry & Brandt Families)
Thur	30	8:00	Our Beloved Deceased John Decker, d, (Pat Decker)
Fri	01	8:00	Timothy & Christopher Macarthy, d, (Macarthy Family)

**Next week's collection
Projects & Initiatives
Canned Food Collection**

Parish Finances

Collection

November 18/19, 2017

Sunday Collection	\$6,422.16
Projects & Initiatives	687.00
St. Francis/St Clare	110.00
Campaign for Human Development	1,056.00

PARISH NEWS

DIOCESAN COLLECTION: Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! Your support aids those on the margins and living in poverty. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" on the left.

Advent Penance Service

CORRECTION: This year's Advent Penance service will be held on **Monday, December 11th** at 12 noon here at Our Divine Savior and at 6 pm at St. John the Baptist Church.

RCIA- The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults -- Inquiry

Are you Catholic? Do you want to learn more about your Faith? Do you have family members who don't practice the faith anymore? Are there family or friends who might be interested in joining the Catholic Church? In this world there are trials and tribulation in our lives. What are we doing about it or do we feel that there is no hope? There is hope! It is with finding guidance and direction through faith. We will be starting another session of RCIA Inquiry soon. If you would like to join us please contact RCIA coordinators Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348, rciaods2@yahoo.com or visit us online at ourdivinesavior.org. It is never too late to join us!

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME: This is a invitation to Non-Practicing Catholics. The Church has changed, and you may not know it! Has it been a while

since you've been to Church? Are you mad at the Church or at God? Maybe you left the Church for no reason but feel lost when at Mass! Come join our 13-week session and give yourself a chance to get reconnected, starting on December 11th at 7 pm meeting in the Parish Office building in the Prayer Room. For more information contact the Catholics Returning Home Coordinators Deacon James Burkett 893-2348 or Sharon Haselton 891-5334.



ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held this **Friday, December 1**, immediately after the 8:00 am Mass with Benediction to follow at Noon.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

Tis the Season!

Greetings to you, generous parishioners of Our Divine Savior. It's hard to believe, but it is that wonderful giving time of the year. Our Divine Savior will partner with Northern Valley Catholic Social Services to supply much needed gift cards to families in need. A bulletin board with giving information will be outside the church after every weekend Mass.

Other opportunities to share your love this Christmas:

Men's flannel shirts in sizes Large, Extra Large, 1X, 2X and 3X will be collected and distributed at the Christmas Eve Dinner at the Jesus Center. Deadline is December 17th

St. Vincent de Paul Family Gift Giving

SVDP's "Christmas Family Gift Giving" is coming in December to ODS. Starting on Dec. 2/3, a bulletin board will be filled with stocking tags after each Mass. The 8 families we have served during the last year would love to have gifts for their children. The majority are asking for warm clothing. Please, prayerfully, select a tag and fulfill a Christmas wish.

It is an exciting time of year, and God bless you for continuing to care for the needy in our community.



Catholic Daughters

The Catholic Daughters Bake and Craft sale will be held on Saturday, December 2nd after 5pm mass and Sunday, December 3rd after all the Masses. Please come in and check out all the goodies displayed in the Social Hall!

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest.

Theme: Presentation of a visual image of how/why Jesus Christ is the real reason for the season.

Age Categories: 5-7 (grades K-2), 8-10 (grades 3-5) and 11-15 (grades 6-8).

Timeline: Complete and enter poster for review by December 14, 2017.

Rewards: \$50 cash and other prizes with each category winner.

Full rules and regulations are available on the contest entry forms which can be found at the back of the church or in the parish office.

The Knights' will be selling delicious See's candy after all the Masses. These make wonderful gifts.

Altar Flowers

**In memory of Theodore Wilcox,
from his mother.**

If you are remembering a loved one, giving thanks, or celebrating a special occasion, think about a gift of flowers for the altar. What a better way to show your love to those special people in our lives and to the Lord. Envelopes are at the back of the church.



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday: St. Andrew
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

Diocesan News

Whole Person Care & Prepare Workshop, Saturday, December 2 (9:30 am – 12:00 pm) Are you interested in learning more about end of life ethic and pastoral care for the sick and dying? The Diocese of Sacramento is hosting a special end of life care workshop at St. Mel Catholic Church (Parish Center) 4748 Pennsylvania Ave, Fair Oaks on Saturday, December 2nd (9:30 am to 12:00 pm). The workshop is open to all (especially for bereavement & health ministers, Eucharistic ministers and ministers to the homebound, catechists and respect life ministers, Vincentian volunteers and/or care takers). Discussion topics include Church teaching on end of life ethics, accessing quality palliative care, hospice care and advance healthcare directives and pastoral care at the end of life. Space is limited. RSVP today! Contact Carolina Estrada at 916-733-0253 or cestrada@scd.org or visit www.scd.org/wpc.

Retreat For Women/Men

This is a first call for women and men of the parish to make the annual retreat at Christ the King retreat center on the weekend of January 12th-14th for WOMEN; February 17th-19th for MEN. Don't miss out on this wonderful experience of spiritual and physical renewal. Call Stephanie and James at 893-2348 or go to www.christthekingretreatcenter.org to make a reservation.



Please keep in your prayers



Catherine Anderson
Carmela Sorrentino
Marie Viera
Esther Lund
Larry & Kathy Grundmann
Jim Hubbard
Mary Kay Bringham

Virginia Bourdic
Bill Sheridan
Isabella Brazzale
Joseph Cruz
Wayne Burkett
Ruth Fischer
Jeff Carr

Rueben Guerra
Jo Ann Coules
Vincent Lucido
Geoff Edmonds
John Hauder
Elmer Silvera
Madeline Ballew

Janet Grens
Rosemary Hull
Tom Claiborne
Mary Sajben
John Golden

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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. The holidays have arrived. Be sure to check the calendar for class times as we will not be meeting every week.

	Religious Ed/Sacraments Schedule
11/26	No Religious Ed-Thanksgiving
11/29	Jr High Confirmation 7-8:30PM
11/29	Wed Religious Ed 7-8PM
12/3	High School Confirmation 9:30-10:45AM
	Religious Ed 10:05-10:50AM
	Children's Liturgy 11AM Mass
12/6	Jr High Confirmation 7-8:30PM
	Wed Religious Ed 7-8PM
12/10	High School Confirmation 9:30-10:45AM
	Religious Ed 10:05-10:50AM
	Children's Liturgy 11AM Mass
12/13	Sacrament Prep 6-7:30PM
12/13	Family Liturgy Night in the Church 6PM The entire Parish is invited! All Religious Ed and Sacrament Prep families should attend.
12/17	High School Confirmation 9:30-10:45AM
	Religious Ed 10:05-10:50AM
*****	12/20-31 No Religious Ed-Christmas Break

Advent candles will be sold after the Masses this weekend Nov. 25/26 and next Dec. 2/3 to raise money for the Confirmation Retreat.
Thank you for your support!

Sacramental Preparation

Do you want your children to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation? Sacrament preparation is a two-year journey in our Diocese. Contact the office of Religious Education for more information or to register. We look forward to journeying with your family.

Jennifer Forward DRE

Phone: (530) 345-6201

Email: odsreligioused@yahoo.com

Web: www.ourdivinesavior.org/religioused



Youth Ministry meets in the Youth Room (Social Hall) on Sundays from noon to 2PM.

Events:

Dec. 3 *What is Truth?*

Dec. 10 *Catholic or Christian?*

Dec. 17 *Christmas Social*

More information at odsyouthministry@yahoo.com.

Check Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or on the web for current information.

GOD, SEX AND THE MEANING OF LIFE

Join best-selling author Christopher West at St John the Baptist Catholic Church on Thursday, December 7, 2017 from 7-9 PM. He will explore the ancient but forgotten truth that our deepest desires of body and soul are meant to lead us to the infinite. This is a NO COST/FREEWILL OFFERING event suitable for ages 16 and up. For more information: St. John's parish office, 530-343-8741 or www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the 20TH annual Marian Eucharistic Conference, January 12, 13, 14, 2018 at St Rose of Lima Church Hall, Paso Robles, Ca.

We have added a Teen Track this year, for information, call Jacob at 805-466-0849 or Christina 831-402-4308.

Visit our web-site at ccmec.org for speakers and further information.



Advent Penance Services

Dec. 5 Tuesday		
St. Thomas the Apostle	Oroville	6-7pm
Dec. 6 Wednesday		
St. Joseph	Marysville	6-7pm
Dec. 11 Monday		
Our Divine Savior	Chico	Noon
Dec. 11 Monday		
St. John the Baptist	Chico	6-7pm
Dec. 13 Wednesday		
St. Thomas More	Paradise	6-7pm
Dec. 14 Thursday		
St. Isadore	Yuba City	6-7pm
Dec. 15 Friday		
St. Monica	Willows	6-7pm
Dec. 19 Tuesday		
Sacred Heart	Gridley	6-7pm
Dec. 20 Wednesday		
Immaculate Conception	Corning	6-7pm
Dec. 21 Thursday		
St. Dominic	Orland	6-7pm
Dec. 22 Friday		
Sacred Heart	Maxwell	6-7pm



Looking for someone who loves Fun and is Organized

Are you organized? Do you love to be lifted and surrounded by faith filled fun? We are looking for a Co-Leader to help plan and organize our Annual Vacation Bible School. This position comes with a small salary. Help us keep this great ministry going. Contact the Religious Education office at 345-6201 for more information about time commitment and responsibilities.

MASS COORDINATORS NEEDED

Are you looking for a way to help in the church? We are looking for additional Mass Coordinators for the Masses we enjoy throughout the year.

Please consider this in your heart.

Speak to one of your Mass Coordinators for more information or contact Joanie Frericks, 345-4283.

FAMILY ROOM

Family Room Safety

Home Is Where We feel Safe

Our church home is Our Divine Savior parish. Father Francis wants to assure members of our family that we take the safety of our members very seriously. With the recent Tehama County shootings, we are a bit unnerved and want to do all we can to keep our gatherings safe. Bishop Soto has been conferencing with our priests about how to assist those who were traumatized by the shootings, and he is encouraging each parish to put into place procedures to enhance our safety.

What is ODS doing? Last year, even before the recent trauma, Father Francis and Dan Layne went over the whole parish looking especially for areas where our safety needed to be upgraded. New locks and keys were installed. There is an increased emphasis on locking the doors and reminding key holders they are accountable for safety. Bushes were trimmed for better visibility. Security cameras are in place. Dan arrives early each day to patrol the grounds and be sure there are no unauthorized people on the property.

We are not being alarmist when we ask for the help of every parishioner. The best thing you can do is to stay alert any time you are on church property (or anywhere else). The greeters and ushers are charged with keeping a watchful eye out for anyone who seems disturbed or in need of assistance. If you see or hear something of concern, speak up! We can get to know the people with whom we worship and reach out to welcome those we don't yet know.

In the final analysis, our security comes from our God, who loves each one of us dearly. He desires us to live in faith, hope, and love—**not in fear**. We can rely on the presence of Jesus with us whenever we gather. We should continue to pray for his protection for our family and for healing for those who would harm us.

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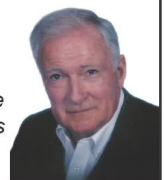


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