



Sunday, April 12th, 2026
Second Sunday in Easter

THE MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of Divine Savior Parish, called in Baptism by the Holy Spirit to be a people grounded in Word and Sacrament, strive to reach out to all peoples. Through collaboration and sharing of talents and gifts we are dedicated in prayer and in the works of justice to making the Kingdom of God present among all peoples, races and cultures.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SHOWED
THEM HIS HANDS
AND HIS SIDE.

— JOHN 20:20 —

Parish Information

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JOIN THE CHURCH!

Are you interested in becoming a fully participating member of the Catholic faith? Contact the Religious Education office at 630-574-9740.

JOIN THE PARISH!

Stop in the parish office during business hours to register.

CONFESSIONS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR AN APPOINTMENT FOR CONFESSIONS. 630-969-1532

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please mail submissions to bulletin@divinesavior.net 10 days before the publication.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m., 10:00a.m., 12:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Holy days: Check the bulletin or website

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.

Closed on Weekends and Holidays

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Phone: 630-574-9740

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Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Once a month at a Baptism service. Arrangements must be made one month in advance. Parental preparation requires registration in the Parish, active Saturday or Sunday participation in Parish Worship and attendance at a Baptismal Preparation meeting. Please call the office to make arrangements.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements for celebration of marriage must be made with the pastor at least six months to one year in advance and before all other arrangements are made. Weddings are not scheduled on Sundays.

QUINCEAÑERAS

Cualquier persona interesada en la celebración de una Quinceañera debe comunicarse con la Sra. Plazola al menos 6 meses antes la fecha deseada. Todas las familias debenser miembros activos dentro de la parroquia y las señoritas deben haber recibido el sacramento del Bautismo, la reconciliación, la primera comunión y el sacramento de la confirmación o estar asistiendo en nuestra clases/programa de Confirmación por 1 año antes de la Quinceañera. Horas de servicio y un retiro

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



April 15th through April 19th

Wednesday: 8:30am For the Parishioners

Thursday: 8:30am Santiago Dela Cruz

Friday: 8:30am Thanksgiving for Sohan Birthday

Saturday: 4:30pm Godofredo Ferrer & Jesus Estanislao

Sunday: 8:00am For the Parishioners

10:00am For the Parishioners

12:00pm Jose Guadalupe Preciado, Jose Estrada, Socorro Arellano, y salud Hilda Preciado



Prayers for the sick:

Rafaela Botello	John Robinson
Maureen C.	Anthony Gnutek
Mark. C.	Norbert Wierzbicki
Terry R.	Besty
Sherry Toman	Pete Cushion
Steven G.	Bev. G
Joann Costa	Emri R.
D. Woods	Elsie Bestvina
Fr. Bill Conway	Paul Czech
Ellaine Gialogo Jimenez	Kathy S.
Grace P.	Erna Eubanks
Herb G.	Kathy Hamilton
Kelly M.	Angelica Collazos
Justin Pratt	Rich Parent
Julie K.	Karen L.

Please call the office at 630-969-1532 if you would like the parish to pray for someone. Please secure his/her permission prior to being included in the prayer request.



The Tabernacle will be lit for the Ulaszek Family.

Thank you to all the parishioners for their thoughtful and generous gifts I received this Easter. Your generosity and thoughtfulness were greatly appreciated and made Easter Week even more special for me. With a grateful heart, overflowing with love, thank you.

Blessings,
Fr. Agustin





Living Stations of the Cross

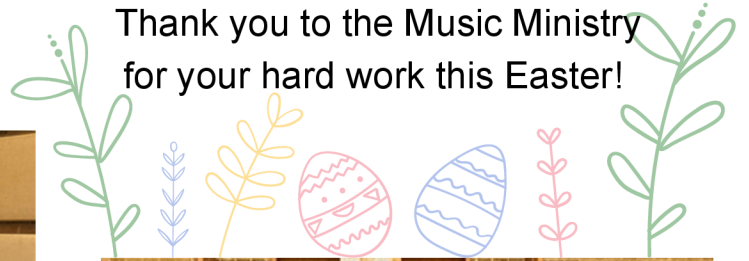




Congratulations to those who received their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass.



Thank you to the Music Ministry
for your hard work this Easter!





Washing of the feet on Holy Thursday



*Our
Deepest
Sympathy*



In Sympathy
James Spinuzza
March 1950 – March 31, 2026

Jim was a strong, caring father.
He felt creating memories was
important.

His son feels his dad set an
excellent example for him.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of April 12, 2026

Sunday:

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/
1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday:

Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday:

Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/
Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday:

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Jn 3:16-21

Thursday:

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/
Jn 3:31-36

Friday:

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday:

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8,
9-10, 11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.'" (John 20:27)

In my early 20s, I volunteered at a parish youth group. I witnessed teens encountering Jesus with a fresh, romantic wonder that reminded me of my own teenage conversion. But something had changed in me. I was quietly jaded and cynical. When teens shared stories of encountering Christ, I'd want to sarcastically murmur, "Well, good for you." I had grown suspicious of the zeal I once knew.

Then we brought the group on a pilgrimage. I was standing in an old church in France, ignoring a long-winded tour guide. I found myself before a crucifix. In that moment, I heard something, not audibly, but unmistakably in my heart: "I came to be your friend... and you wish to be my enemy? Why do you stand far from me? I suffer gladly for you. I was pierced for you. Why do you run from me?" My heart opened. I saw how cold and cynical I had become. But Jesus had not given up on me. He had returned, and his mercy broke through.

So I can relate to the scoffing — and transformation — of Thomas when the Risen Jesus presents his wounds for inspection. Thomas is not simply doubting; he is guarded, suspicious, even cynical. But Jesus comes to him. No lecture. Just understanding and mercy. He invites Thomas to touch his wounds. This burns away his cynicism like the morning mist.

Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith. If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will.

— *Father John Muir*

2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Weekly Dashboard Parish Report

Results through 1/4/2026

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	2025	2024	Inc/Dec	2024 (Final)
Parish Goal	\$61,400	\$56,800	\$4,600	\$56,800
Amount Pledged	\$89,648	\$70,294	\$19,354	\$70,294
Amount Paid	\$89,391	\$69,734	\$19,657	\$69,774
Balance Due	\$258	\$560	(\$303)	\$520
Donors	200	224	-24	224
2025 Rebate	\$19,593			

2025 Parishioners	
2,119	9%
# of Registered Parishioners	Participation Rate
\$448.24	1,919
Average Gift	Nonparticipants

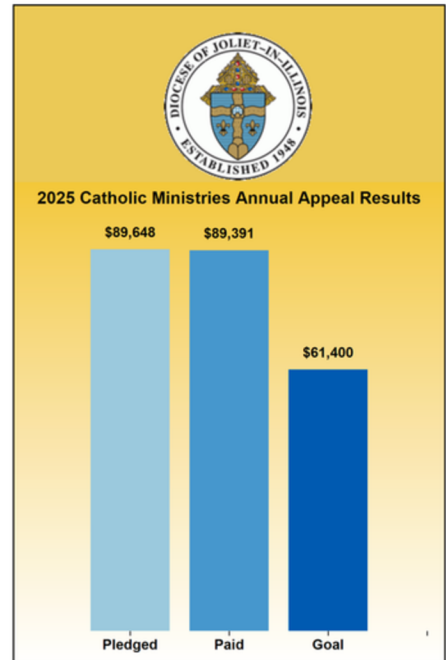
Number of LYBUNTs (Last Year But Not This Year)
48

For full LYBUNT listing view last page of report

Giving Circles	2025 Donors	2024 Donors	Difference
Queen of Peace Circle (\$25,000+)	1	0	1
Xavier Circle (\$10,000 - \$24,999.99)	0	1	-1
Bishop's Circle (\$5,000 - \$9,999.99)	2	1	1
Patron Circle (\$2,500 - \$4,999.99)	3	2	1
Sponsor Circle (\$1,000 - \$2,499.99)	9	11	-2
Circle of Hope (\$0.01 - \$999.99)	185	209	-24
Total Donors	200	224	-24

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Fr. Agustin and the staff of Divine Savior Parish thank you for your generosity.

March Stewardship



2026	Envelopes	Loose Currency	E-Giving	Sub Total	Blue Envelopes	Special Collection	Total
1ST	\$14,318.00	\$2,236.77	\$2,405.14	\$18,959.91	\$285.00	\$585.85	\$19,830.76
8TH	\$5,534.00	\$2,269.00	\$2,809.00	\$10,612.00	\$415.00	\$533.75	\$11,560.75
15TH	\$5,755.00	\$2,315.00	\$1,789.00	\$9,859.00	\$1,526.00	\$360.65	\$11,745.65
22ND	\$6,964.00	\$2,040.00	\$2,434.00	\$11,438.00	\$333.00	\$10,300.49	\$22,071.49
29th	\$5,235.00	\$2,815.00	\$1,935.14	\$9,985.14	\$300.00	\$490.78	\$10,775.92
Month Total	\$37,806.00	\$11,675.77	\$11,372.28	\$60,854.05	\$2,859.00	\$12,271.52	\$75,984.57
2025/26 Fiscal Year Total	\$255,109.61	\$78,538.17	\$94,690.26	\$489,192.09	\$27,470.00	\$97,825.62	\$553,633.66

If you have family members currently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces, we would like to include their names in our weekly bulletin so that parishioners may include them in their prayers. Please submit their names with branch of service to Bulletin@divinesavior.net. Please notify us when the service person returns home.

WE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Jeremiah Curtis - Taji
 Elisabeth Carrillo - National Guard
 David Blazin - US Army
 Kevin Przybocki - US Army
 Rachael Vicha - Navy
 Madison Demos - US. Coast Guard
 Ray Roberto, Jr. - Navy
 Lt. Jack O'Sullivan, MD - Navy
 Edgar Nava Lopez - Marine

Lynsey M. Gabrielson - Navy
 Major Jose E. Perez - US Army
 Eric Jones - Army Reserves
 Michal Kazmierczak - US Navy
 Jon Black - US Army
 Juanita Iris Mejia - Marines
 Christopher Bianchi - Army
 Brendan O'Sullivan, MD - Air Force
 Gabryel Barrera - Marine Corp



Divine Savior Blanket Ministry

Come join us for our monthly meeting in the church conference room.

The ministry consists of volunteers who can knit, crochet or tie lap blankets. We work on these projects at home and come together once a month for fellowship and prayer.

Thursday, April 16th at
1:00pm

We can all use prayers and part of our ministry is to pray for special intentions, especially for those who are in need of healing. We always welcome new members and any donations of materials. Please join us for a for a "feel-good" afternoon.

For more information contact Linda Lahey at 708-305-5471 or lin627.lahey@gmail.com



Can't knit or
crochet, no
problem,
join us to pray
the rosary!



Kids Corner

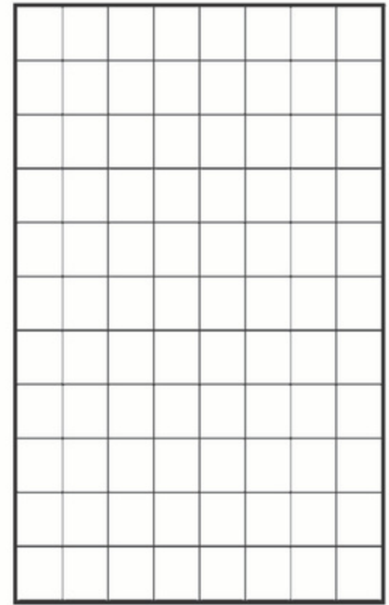
Prayer

Jesus, I can hardly wait to see you in heaven.

Mission for the Week

Tell a friend why Jesus is special to you.

Copy the picture square by square.



Sharing the Gospel

The disciples must have been very surprised when they saw Jesus alive again. They got to see him, listen to him, and touch him. We don't get to see him like the disciples did after Easter. But Jesus calls us blessed when we believe in him. One day we'll see him again in heaven.

Now color the picture!

