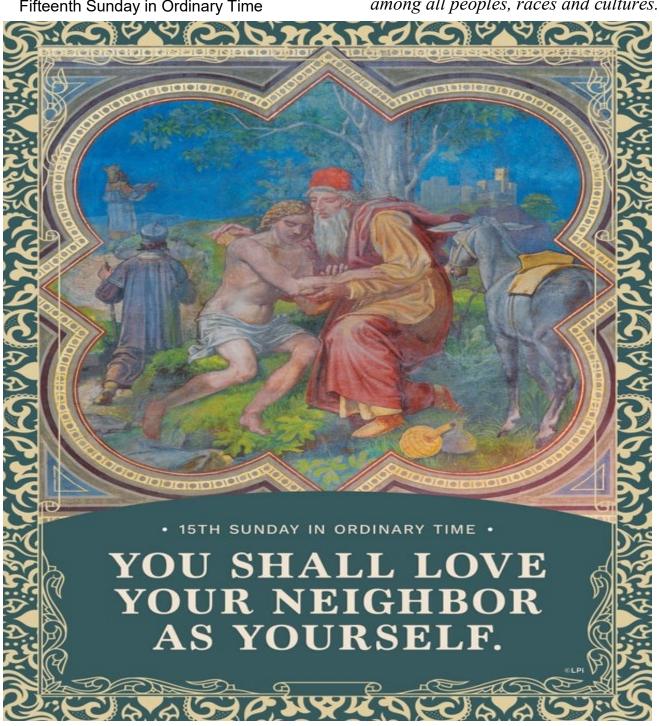


Sunday, July 13, 2025 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 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.



# Parish Information

## **CONTACT US**

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## COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND

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

## **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.

## **CONFESSIONS**

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

#### MASS SCHEDULE

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

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8 a.m., 10:00 a.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 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Closed on Weekends and Holidays

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Phone:** 630-574-9740

E-mail: dre@divinesavior.net

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

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

#### **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.

## **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 deben ser 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 se requerirán también.

#### **BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

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



## July 16th through July 20th

Wednesday: 8:30am Lawrence Dunlap

Thursday: 8:30am Tom Vilt

Friday: 8:30am Maureen Donatelli

Saturday: 4:00pm Nora Ortanez

Sunday: 8:00am John Jenkins

10:00am Eugene Heinrich

12 noon José Guadalupe Preciado

Jose Estrada Socorro Arellano and Salud Hilda

Preciado

We offer our deepest condolences to the entire Alegria family during this extremely difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are especially with Jaime, Elena, and Hannah.



Sammy Alegria April 2001 - July 2025



This week the Tabernacle Candle will be lit for Alexander Bratuljevich.



## Prayers for the sick:

Rafaela Botello Grace P.

Maureen C. Herb G.

Mark C. John Robinson

Terry R. Anthony Gnutek

Mike N. Norbert Wierzbicki

Sherry Toman Marge Cushion

Steven G. Betsy

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.







MI HACIENDA

TOGETHER TO SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY!

VISIT MI HACIENDA
BRING A COPY OF THIS FLYER
AND 10% OF YOUR PURCHASE
WILL BE DONATED TO
DIVINE SAVIOR CHURCH
GOD BLESS YOU!



## **UNIDOS POR UNA BUENA CAUSA!**



**IGLESIA** DIVINO SALVADOR & MI HACIENDA



RESTAURANTE







**JUNTOS PARA APOYAR** A NUESTRA COMUNIDADI



**TODO EL MES DE JULIO** 



**VISÍTANOS EN MI HACIENDA** 



TRAE UNA COPIA DE **ESTE ANUNCIO** 

Y EL 10% DE TU COMPRA SERÁ DONADO A LA IGLESIA DIVINO SALVADOR

**GRACIAS** 



BENDIGA

**GRACIAS POR SER PARTE DEL CAMBIO** 

## OCIA News!

## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

Do you know someone 18 years of age or older who is interested in receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and/or First Holy Communion? We can help. Join a friendly group of parishioners each week to learn about Jesus and the Church, answer questions, and enjoy interesting discussions about the Catholic faith.

The OCIA Journey begins September 9 at 7:00 PM here at Divine Savior, in English and Spanish. If you have questions or to register, please call Bianca in the Religious Education office at (630) 574-9740, email: dre@divinesavior.net.

More detailed information is coming soon in the Bulletin.

## Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (OCIA)

¿Conoces a alguien mayor de 18 años que esté interesado en recibir los Sacramentos del Bautismo, la Confirmación y/o la Primera Comunión? Podemos ayudarle. Únase a un grupo amigable de feligreses cada semana para aprender sobre Jesús y la Iglesia, responder preguntas y disfrutar de interesantes discusiones sobre la fe católica.

El grupo OCIA comienza el 9 de septiembre a las 7:00 pm aquí en el Divino Salvador,

Tenemos grupo de inglés y de español. Si tiene preguntas o desea registrarse, llama a Bianca a la oficina de Educación Religiosa al (630) 574-9740, correo electrónico: dre@divinesavior.net

Más detalles e información en próximos boletines.

## Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of July 13, 2025

#### Sunday:

Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 (see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

#### Monday:

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/ Mt 10:34-11:1

#### Tuesday:

Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/ Mt 11:20-24

#### Wednesday:

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/ Mt 11:25-27

#### Thursday:

Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

#### Friday:

Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

#### Saturday:

Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

#### Next Sunday:

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/ Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42



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## **Gospel Meditation**

### **Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

I used to be a bad neighbor. I'd get wrapped up in my life and ignore those around me. Then I found sage advice from Benjamin Franklin to this effect: to be a better neighbor, ask someone to do a favor for you. It's counterintuitive, isn't it? Tell strangers that I need their help? Yuck. I'll risk looking needy. Worse, I'll be indebted to them. But I tried it, and it works like a charm. Recently I asked my neighbor Alan for a hacksaw, and Inga for an egg. They kindly obliged, and our friendship is growing.

This week we hear a scribe of the law cynically ask Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). Like him, we prefer to keep the list of our "neighbors" as short as possible. It requires less interruption and inconvenience. But when Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, he exposes the lonely, cold-heartedness tendency of the scribe's (and our) heart. My "neighbor" is anyone I encounter who manifests a concrete need. There isn't time to require any other credential because human need opens us to the happy reciprocity which is love.

Jesus' words challenge us this week to ask a neighbor for help in some small way. How marvelous that God himself shows us how. He moves into our world and asks us to love Him with small deeds of love. Maybe that's where Ben Franklin got the idea.

- Father John Muir

#### 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Weekly Dashboard Parish Report

Results through 7/6/2025

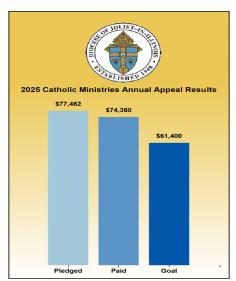
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	2025	2024	Inc/Dec	2024 (Final)	
Parish Goal	\$61,400	\$56,800	\$4,600	\$56,800	
Amount Pledged	\$77,482	\$62,285	\$15,197	\$70,294	
Amount Paid	\$74,360	\$56,908	\$17,451	\$69,774	
Balance Due	\$3,123	\$5,377	(\$2,254)	\$520	
Donors	163	202	-39	224	
2025 Rebate	\$9,072				

2025 Parishioners				
2,119	8%			
# of Registered Parishoners	Participation Rate			
\$475.35	1,956			
Average Gift	Nonparticipants			

N	umber of LYBUNTs (Last Year But Not This Year)
	76

Giving Circles	2025 Donors	2024 Donors	onors 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	2 1			
Patron Circle (\$2,500 - \$4,999.99)	2	2	0		
Sponsor Circle (\$1,000 - \$2,499.99)	6	11	-5		
Circle of Hope (\$0.01 - \$999.99)	152	209	-57		
Total Donors	163	224	-61		





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

July Stewardship							
2025	Envelopes	Loose Currency	E-Giving	Sub Total	Blue Envelopes	Special Collection	Total
6th	\$ 7,796.00	\$ 2,308.25	\$ 2,879.00	\$ 12,983.25	\$ 324.00	\$ 362.77	\$13,670.02
13th				\$ -			\$ -
20th				\$ -			\$ -
27th				\$ -			\$ -
				\$ -			\$ -
Month Total	\$ 7,796.00	\$ 2,308.25	\$ 2,879.00		\$ 324.00	\$ 362.77	\$13,670.02
2025/26 Fiscal Year Total	\$ 7,796.00	\$ 2,308.25	\$ 2,879.00		\$ 324.00	\$ 362.77	\$13,670.02

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, Iraq
Elisabeth Carrillo - National Guard, Iraq
David Blazin - US Army, Qatar
Kevin Przybocki - US Army, Afghanistan
Anthony Vicha - National Guard, Springfield
Rachael Vicha - Navy
Madison Demos - US. Coast Guard, New York
Ray Roberto, Jr. - Navy
Lt. Jack O'Sullivan MD - Navy

Lynsey M. Gabrielson - Navy, San Antonio Major Jose E. Perez - US Army, Chicago, IL Eric Jones - Army Reserves Michal Kazmierczak - US Navy Jon Black, US Army - Okinawa, Japan Juanita Iris Mejia - Marines, CA Christopher Bianchi - Army, Middle East Capt. Brendan O'Sullivan, MD - Air Force



## Prayer

Lord, let me know when it is wise to help.

## Mission for the Week

If I see someone hurt, I will stop playing to get help.

## **Sharing the Gospel**

The Good Samaritan found a beaten man along the road. He spent a lot of time and money to take care of him. In today's time, he would have called 911 and paid the ambulance and hospital. Many people are afraid to stop to help others.

If you see someone who needs help, call 911 and explain who needs help and where.

Trained police and paramedics will come to help. You can pray for the person.

Now color the picture! Circle the picture that is different. Then color in all the pictures.

