



## **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, May 24th, 2026  
Pentecost Sunday

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

PENTECOST SUNDAY  
**RECEIVE**  
THE HOLY SPIRIT.

— JOHN 20:22 —

# Parish Information

## CONTACT US

**Website:** WWW.Divinesaviorparish.net

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## JOIN THE PARISH!

Stop in the parish office during business hours to register.

## 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.

## 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](mailto: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

**E-mail:** [dre@divinesavior.net](mailto:dre@divinesavior.net)

**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



*May 27th through May 31st*

Wednesday: 8:30am For the Parishioners

Thursday: 8:30am For the Parishioners

Friday: 8:30am Piedad Gonzalez

Saturday: 4:00pm Alex Bratuljevich

Sunday: 8:00am For the Parishioners

10:00am James Rudolph

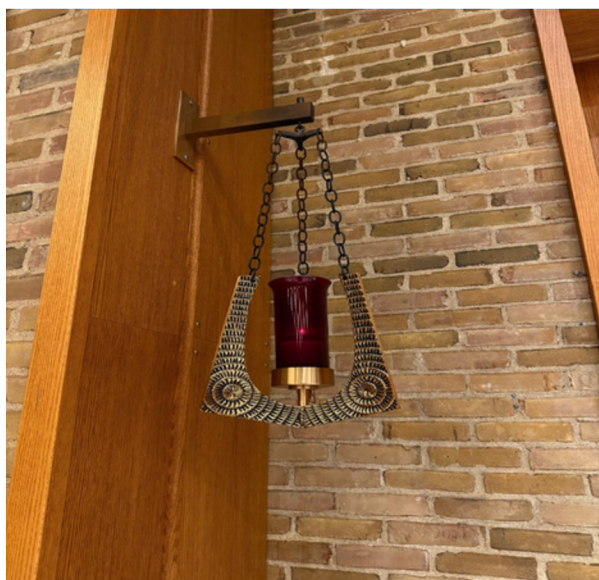
12:00pm Angelica Ven Dyke



### 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.	Louise Casillas
Janice Sinnick	

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.



If you would like to have the Tabernacle Candle lit in memory, or for someone, please contact the Parish office. 630-969-1532

In remembrance of Pepe  
May 2026

He was a good boy who brought happiness wherever he went. His love now lives in the hearts of the Flores family.



# Congratulations to those who made their First Communion on Saturday May 16th!





Congratulations to those who made their Confirmations on Sunday May 17th at St. Raymond Cathedral!





**Dates - Time - Location**

Tuesdays @ 9:00 AM in the Divine Savior Parish Center or via Zoom @7:00 PM (different groups & lively discussions, but same video)

Sessions 1-4: Sep 1st to Sep 22nd  
 Sessions 5-11: Oct 20th to Dec 1st (2026)  
 Sessions 12-21: Jan 12th to Marc 16th  
 Sessions 22-24: Apr 6th to Apr 20th (2027)

**For More Information**

Registration before & after all Masses August 22nd & 23rd and 29th & 30th  
 You will need a Workbook from Ascensionpress.com (\$39.95 + tax/shp) ,a Catechism and a Bible (RSVCE preferred)

Contact Paul Jara 630-776-2987 or ptj2763@gmail.com

In the newly refilmed **Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation**, author Jeff Cavins, alongside many other trusted Catholic presenters, will show you how fourteen of the Bible’s narrative books tell the story of salvation history, from our origins to the present day. Guided by the presenters, you will explore over fifty extraordinary sites across the world where the stories of Scripture took place, bringing the biblical narrative to life.

Using updated workbooks, videos, and a unique color-coded chart, you will learn about the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Catholic Faith.

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“I’ve been overwhelmed by trying to understand Scripture for years, and Mr. Cavins helped me get into it easily. This program was like having an experienced trail guide through a difficult mountain passage—it became much easier once you’re shown the way! And then that gave me the ‘bravery’ and tools I needed to start to study more, and in depth.”

—Andrew L.



Visit [AscensionPress.com/BTL](http://AscensionPress.com/BTL) for more details.

# SACRED VOICES CONCERT

Featuring Singers from the Vatican & Roman Choral

Saturday, June 20  
7:30 pm

St. Raphael Church  
1215 Modaff Road, Naperville

Experience this extraordinary, one-night-only event and the choir's only appearance in the Diocese of Joliet!



This 40-member choir features singers from leading Roman and Vatican musical institutions. Under the direction of Pontifical Cantore Adriano Caroletti, they will be accompanied by Josep Solè Coll, organist of the Pope and St. Peter's Basilica.

The program highlights the richness of the Catholic Church's musical tradition, featuring works by Palestrina (known as the "Prince of Music") along with compositions by Perosi and Bartolucci, both former directors of the Pope's Choir. These timeless works have accompanied papal liturgies in the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica and showcase some of the Church's most beautiful music. The Sacred Voices Choir also had the honor of performing for Pope Leo XI.

Tickets available at:  
[bit.ly/sacredvoicesnaperville](http://bit.ly/sacredvoicesnaperville)  
or scan the QR code  
Premium Seating (front of the church): \$75  
General Admission: \$40



DIVINE SAVIOR  
PARISH

# MOVIE Night!



THURSDAY  
MAY 28, 2026



6:30 PM



DIVINE SAVIOR  
PASTORAL  
CENTER

JOIN US FOR AN INSPIRING EVENING OF FAITH AND FILM!

SPONSORED BY LEGION OF MARY

# FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

COME AND WORSHIP TOGETHER

A night of lively praise and worship, an inspiring talk, and openness to the Holy Spirit moving among us.

2026 **FRIDAY** 6:30 PM -  
**MAY 29** 8:30 PM

At the Guadalupe Garden. Please bring your chair or blanket

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## MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS SUMMER FOR TEENS!



June 26-28, 2026

Say "yes" to lifting up the next generation

Adults (18+) are invited to donate their time, energy, and joy to help create a powerful weekend of faith for our youth during the Steubenville Joliet Youth Conference June 26-28 at Benedictine University.

- We need 100 enthusiastic volunteers who can serve for the full weekend (Friday-Sunday) or shorter shifts.
- Registration is open through early June and includes the standard Virtus and background check process.
- Meals are provided for volunteers during mealtimes.



SCAN TO SIGN UP!



QUESTIONS?  
Contact Kristin Laszlo  
[joliet@partnershipforyouth.org](mailto:joliet@partnershipforyouth.org)



# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of May 24, 2026

### Sunday:

**Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24 and 35, 27-28, 29b-30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 or, for the **Extended Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9/ Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/ Rom 8:22-27/ Jn 7:37-39 (see Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 62) **Day:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30, 31 and 34/ 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

### Monday:

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

### Tuesday:

1 Pt 1:10-16/ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31

### Wednesday:

1 Pt 1:18-25/ Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 10:32-45

### Thursday:

1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/ Ps 100:2, 3, 4, 5/ Mk 10:46-52

### Friday:

1 Pt 4:7-13/ Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mk 11:11-26

### Saturday:

Jude 17, 20b-25/ Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mk 11:27-33

### Next Sunday:

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/ 2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

*"He breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.'" (John 20:22-23)*

For those of us who go to confession regularly, there is often a familiar frustration: "Why do I keep confessing the same sins?" It can feel like a loop, cleansed but unchanged.

Pentecost reveals a hopeful perspective. When the Risen Jesus breathes on his ashamed and fearful disciples and gives them the Holy Spirit, he echoes Genesis, when God breathes life into Adam. This is not just primarily the removal of guilt, but new creation.

In confession, we receive more than forgiveness. We receive a fresh outpouring, the breath of the Spirit, and a renewed mission. Jesus does not say to us, "You're forgiven, now go back to your old life." He says, so to speak, **"As the Father has sent me, so I send you."** (John 20:21)

That is why penance is not just saying a few prayers. It is reorientation. It is the Spirit summoning us to live differently: with mercy and healing.

Just as Adam was sent into the world, and the Apostles were sent out after Pentecost, so too we are sent from the confessional — not just clean, but consecrated.

**Pentecost Challenge:** After your next confession, ask the Holy Spirit for one way you can participate in Christ's healing will for you. Then take one small, concrete step, and do not look back.

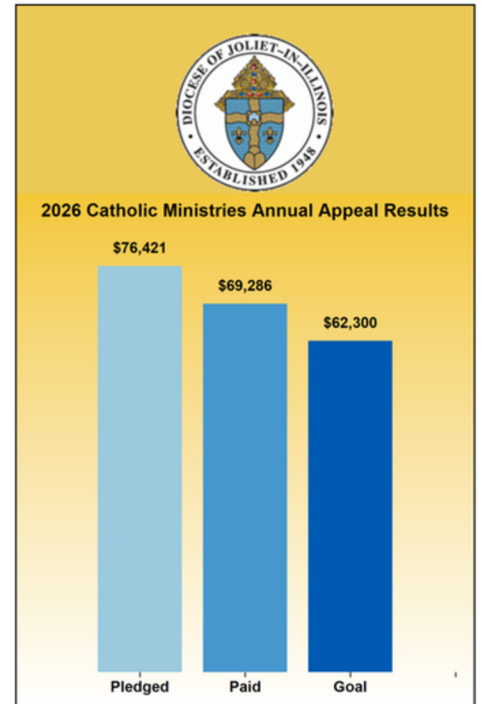
— Father John Muir

**2026 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Weekly Dashboard Parish Report**

Results through 5/17/2026

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	2026	2025	Inc/Dec	2025 (Final)
Parish Goal	\$62,300	\$61,400	\$900	\$61,400
Amount Pledged	\$76,421	\$73,216	\$3,205	\$90,123
Amount Paid	\$69,286	\$67,712	\$1,575	\$89,923
Balance Due	\$7,135	\$5,505	\$1,630	\$200
Donors	138	149	-11	202
2026 Rebate	\$4,891			



2026 Parishioners	
<b>2,119</b>	<b>7%</b>
# of Registered Parishioners	Participation Rate
<b>\$553.78</b>	<b>1,981</b>
Average Gift	Nonparticipants

Number of LYBUNTs (Last Year But Not This Year)
<b>80</b>

\*\*\*For full LYBUNT listing view last page of report\*\*\*

Giving Circles	2026 Donors	2025 Donors	Difference
Queen of Peace Circle (\$25,000+)	1	1	0
Xavier Circle (\$10,000 - \$24,999.99)	0	0	0
Bishop's Circle (\$5,000 - \$9,999.99)	1	2	-1
Patron Circle (\$2,500 - \$4,999.99)	2	3	-1
Sponsor Circle (\$1,000 - \$2,499.99)	8	9	-1
Circle of Hope (\$0.01 - \$999.99)	126	187	-61
<b>Total Donors</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>-64</b>



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

May Stewardship							
2026	Envelopes	Loose Currency	E-Giving	Sub Total	Blue Envelopes	Special Collection	Total
3rd	\$6,900.00	\$2,039.86	\$2,080.14	\$11,020.00	\$330.00	\$357.40	<b>\$11,707.40</b>
10th	\$8,561.00	\$2,580.00	\$4,161.50	\$15,302.50	\$565.00	\$120.00	<b>\$15,987.50</b>
17th	\$5,072.00	\$2,194.00	\$2,299.00	\$9,565.00	\$1,890.00	\$679.10	<b>\$12,134.10</b>
24th							
31st							
Month Total	\$20,533.00	\$6,813.86	\$8,540.64	\$35,887.50	\$2,785.00	\$1,156.50	<b>\$39,829.00</b>
<b>2025/26 Fiscal Year Total</b>	<b>\$302,033.61</b>	<b>\$92,131.37</b>	<b>\$113,428.90</b>	<b>\$647,703.77</b>	<b>\$35,453.00</b>	<b>\$122,699.64</b>	<b>\$665,746.52</b>

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](mailto: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



# SILVER ROSE

## PRAYER SERVICE FOR RESPECT FOR LIFE

Each year, Knights of Columbus councils escort Silver Roses from Canada to Mexico, stopping for rosary-centered gatherings where communities pray for respect for life, spiritual renewal, and the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.”



**Thursday May 28th.  
Immediately Following  
7:00 AM Mass**

**St. Joseph Parish  
4801 Main St.  
Downers Grove, Il.**

# Kids Corner

## Prayer

Thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit, Jesus.

## Mission for the Week

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you forgive others.

## Sharing the Gospel

Jesus gave his friends the Holy Spirit, who would always live in their hearts. If any of them were ever sad or afraid, the Holy Spirit comforted them. If someone had sinned, they could bring healing and forgiveness. With the help of the Holy Spirit, they shared God's love with the world.

Now color the picture!



Circle the picture the two identical doves!

