

The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

Norridge, IL

APRIL 4, 2021 | EASTER SUNDAY

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~ Mark 16:6



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We are in need of volunteer parishioners to assist the Re-opening Team with our weekday and Sunday Mass, and also Sacramental celebrations. Without the help of our volunteers we cannot continue to welcome our parishioners back to church. Please help us!

You can sign up by sending an E-mail to dsavior@aol.com or leaving a message at 708.456.9000. We will then contact you about training.

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Easter 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Once again this year we celebrate Easter in the midst of a pandemic, in a time of social unrest, and in a period of natural disasters that seem to be consequences of climate change. So, our mood may be somber or even sad. Still, there are reasons for hope and optimism. The vaccines are addressing the pandemic. Our commitment to justice for all people can reshape our life together. And each of us can do our part in making a difference to forestall climate change. But there are even stronger foundations of hope for us as people of faith and followers of Jesus.

In the Resurrection of Jesus, we begin to share in the victory of life over death, grace over sin, and hope over despair. In faith, we know the direction of our future. Although we cannot and ought not to deny our struggles, we move forward through them with a resilient confidence rooted in the power of the Risen Lord Jesus.

At the Easter Vigil during the lighting of the Paschal candle from the new fire, I pray in your name: "May the light of Christ rising in glory dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds." And I will continue to raise that prayer to God for all of us in this holy season. Join me in that same prayer and lift up your petition with a confident and trusting heart.

May God bless, keep, and protect you and your loved ones.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Baby, It Was Cold Outside!

The cold weather may have kept some folks at home, but on Tuesday, March 9, St. Eulalia's food pantry was still busy. Seventy-eight families representing 339 people came to pick up groceries.

In order to safeguard their volunteers, all the grocery bags were kept inside the Quinn Center until needed. Normally, they would be outside to reduce the amount of running the volunteers would have to do. But with the freezing temps on Tuesday, waiting inside and running a bit more was a good strategy for keeping warm!

Though the weather may be cold, there are many warm hearts among the St. Eulalia food pantry's supporters and recipients. Sharing warms our hearts as does knowing that others care about you. Thank you for your generosity!



**QUINN CENTER
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Weekly Offerings

March 20/21

Envelopes: \$ 3,973.25
 GiveCentral: \$ 1,147.00
 Total: \$ 5,120.28

We are grateful for all who continue to faithfully support our parish each week during these challenging times.

END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements for 2020 are available for those who specifically request them. Statements may be requested by calling the Parish Office at 708.456.9000 or by sending an email request to dsavior@aol.com.

Online Giving with give central

It's easy to participate in online giving!

GiveCentral was created with input from parishes as a customized online giving program.

GiveCentral is a secure online system where parishioners can create individual giving profiles with payment options ranging from direct debit (ACH) to credit cards.

Here's how to get setup:

1. Visit www.divinesaviornorridge.org and click the 'GiveCentral' button at the top of the page on the right. This will take you to our GiveCentral page.
2. Either select from one of the featured collections on our page, or click 'View More' to see all of our collections.
3. Select the fund(s) to which you would like to donate, and then specify the amount, frequency, start date, and end date.
4. Click 'Add to my Gift Basket'.
5. Review your donations in the Gift Basket, and then click 'Continue'.
6. Select the 'Complete Profile' option to setup an account and fill out the form to complete your donations.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Please remember Lillian Baureis, Maria Bordignon, John Bovard, Peggy A. Carolan, Marilee Cass, Annie Rose Cernick, Mary Ciliak, Biagio Cirrincione, Al Corrado, Dawn Crimmins, Josephine Davi, Virgie Dy, MaryAnn Entrup, Geraldine Fergus, Amalia Gaglianese, John Gaydos, MaryAnn Gaydos, Lucille Gibula, Lucille Gutowski, Gina Hess, Renee Holm, Richard Humanski, Jackie Kukielka, Gloria Lesniak, Erica Lursky, Maria Makos, Mickey Margelewski, Mary Ann Maro, Rosalie McAteer, Berniece Michna, Ernest Morris, William Murray, Ed Ochab, Edward Pasdiora, James Pastorino, Mary Ann Romito, Lillian Ross, Caterina Savarino, Alicia Schmitz, Matt Schoenbach, Maria Scimeca, Dominic Senese, Mickey Stefanski, Steve Strzelecki, Rosemary Wegner, and all parishioners, family members, and friends in your prayers.

Please pray as well for all who have died. May they now rest in eternal peace.

Remember Divine Savior in your will!

Giving a legacy to your church is an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God for all that you have been given and enjoyed during your life. It is also a means of ensuring that your past can become part of the future of your church's life, through mission and ministry to all God's people.

Matching Gifts

Many employers sponsor matching gift programs and will match charitable contributions made by their employees.

Please contact your Human Resource Office to learn more about your company's Matching gift policy and to determine if you are eligible for a matching gift.



To sign-up for Mass please click here.

Reservations for all Masses are required and can be made at www.divinesaviornorridge.org. Click on the Sign-Up Genius logo.

For more information and updates please go to www.divinesaviornorridge.org.



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TRANSFORMED BY THE RESURRECTION

Alleluia! Christ is risen! Imagine the flood of emotions that Mary of Magdala must have experienced on that first Easter morning. Grieving and yet determined to visit the place where Jesus' body had been laid, Mary would have been stunned to find the tomb empty. Imagine Simon Peter and the other disciple who, upon hearing Mary's announcement, ran to see for themselves. On Easter, we hear the story of Jesus' resurrection as though for the first time, through the account of Mary's discovery and the testimony of Peter who powerfully shared Christ's Paschal Mystery. We, too, have come to believe through their faithful witness. We are called to seek what is above, turn away from sin, and live as people who are forever transformed by the Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

STEP OUT IN FAITH

Mary ran to tell Simon Peter and the other disciple that the tomb was empty. No doubt confused and concerned, Peter and the other disciple set aside whatever fear might have occurred to them and ran to see the tomb for themselves. We do not always understand God's ways. We too are confused at times; our lives are marked by moments of uncertainty, and at times we are afraid. We can learn from Mary, Simon Peter, and the other disciple and step out in faith, trusting that we will find the Lord in the midst of the circumstances of our lives. When life gets complicated, as it often does, the best thing to do is step out, perhaps even run to the Lord!

BEAR WITNESS

We may not have opportunities to address crowds of people and share the gospel with them. Still, we are called to bear witness to our faith in the ways that we are able, in word and in deed. We cannot share what we have not fully embraced ourselves, however. The Easter season is the perfect time to reflect on Christ's Paschal Mystery, the unfathomable love of Jesus who shows and shares God's love perfectly. Our Lord gave his life so that we might have life, and have it to the full. Christ's victory over sin and death is our victory, our promise of eternal life with God in the fullness of time. See in Christ's life, passion, death, and resurrection the sign of God's mercy. Let this Easter day be a moment in which you allow yourself to be touched by Christ's incredible, undying love. Then, renewed in faith, look for ways to bear witness to the mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and love of the Lord with others.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3:1-4 or
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
John 20:1-9

From RMD to QCD

The Problem: Don't let your age (being over 70 ½) and needing to take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your Traditional IRA each year mean higher taxes. It was that way for me until I finally got smart. For years, I deposited my RMD in my savings. I used some of it to live on and gifted other parts of that money to my Church and other charities. Then I realized that money **coming to me** was really driving up my taxes to Uncle Sam's IRS.

The Solution: Now I start each year by learning the size of my RMD. An RMD is the amount of money which **MUST BE WITHDRAWN** from a traditional IRA before December 31 of that year, or the owner of that IRA faces a 50% penalty tax to the IRS. Knowing the amount, I determine how much I will really need for my expenses. The balance I give to charitable organizations like Divine Savior, the Annual Catholic Appeal, other religious organizations, medical charities for heart disease, cancer, etc., and entertainment venues like museums, orchestras, operas, and so on. It is important to be certain or to verify whether such receiving organizations are truly an IRS charitable deduction (501(c)(3)). Be aware that if the IRS does not recognize the name on the check as a bona fide charitable organization, then that money is taxable to you. That done, tell your financial institution that you want to use your RMD to make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). Your financial institution will ask you for specific information concerning the amount and the name of the venue you want to go on the check, or you may be asked to complete a form giving that information. Once the name of the charity and amount are on the check, your financial institution will either mail it directly to the charity or mail it to you for you to send it to the charity.

The Benefit: That money is **NOT** taxable to the donor as income, thus lessening the amount of your taxes. Your charity is helped, so be generous. **However**, you (the donor) are **NOT** able to take that contribution as a charitable deduction on your taxes. It has been my experience that a regular charitable deduction compared to my QCD never resulted in lowering my taxes as much as **NOT** having that RMD amount charged as income in the first place. So I say it again: be generous to the charity.



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A CALL TO PRAYER

Bringing a light in the midst of darkness

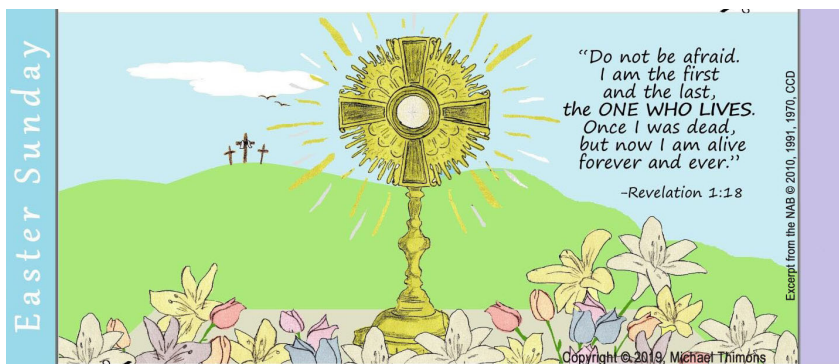


Are you feeling overwhelmed by the effects of the pandemic and in need of prayer? We are here to pray with you and ask God for your needs.

Who we are: Volunteers from parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago who feel called to **accompany through prayer anyone who feels the need for** support during this time of uncertainty and isolation.

What we offer: A phone line staffed with people from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day, as well as 24-hour voice mail and e-mail connections. Our prayer partners are here to pray with you: opening our hearts to God, asking for His blessings and peace.

312.741.3388 praywithme@calledtoprayer.org



Mass Intentions

Readings for the Week

Monday, April 5, 2021

Divine Savior Parishioners

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

7:30 AM Rosemary Wegner

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

Divine Savior Parishioners

Thursday, April 8, 2021

7:30 AM Divine Savior Parishioners

Friday, April 9, 2021

Joan Herrmann

Saturday, April 10, 2021

Vigil: Second Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM Brenda Biancalana
David Brichetto, JR.
Robert Brichetto
Intentions of Mike Gurklis
Intentions of Richard Horneck
Intentions of Jackie Leland

Sunday, April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

9:00 AM Jerry & Donna Bruss
Vivian Cielak
Dolores Jozsa
Frank Koziara
Koziara Family
Margaret Leinweber
Carol Matz
Frances Nimietz
Leonard Stancy

All Mass intentions are remembered by Fr. Beath, Fr. Blazek, and Fr. Madigan during their private Masses and private prayer. We ask that you add these intentions to your prayers also.

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Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33
Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41
Matthew 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12
John 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21
Matthew 16:9-15

Sunday: Second Sunday of Easter
Acts 4:32-35
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Mary of Magdala came to the tomb and saw the stone removed. She ran to Simon Peter and said, "They have taken the ..."

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Answer: *Lord from the tomb*

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Liturgical Ministry Schedule for April 10/11

	<i>Presider</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>
4:00 PM	Fr. Beath	L. Olen	D. Sulimowski
9:00 AM	Fr. Blazek	S. Kumiega	M. Walsh

Mission Statement of The Catholic Community of Divine Savior

We are a faith community that seeks the fullest relationship with Jesus, by our communion with each other, through the Eucharist, Sacraments, Prayer, and Service.

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This Week

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Saturday at 4:00 PM
radiotv.archchicago.org/television/broadcast-masses
Every Sunday at 9:30 AM on ABC7

Mercy Home Mass
Every Sunday at 9:30 AM on WGN Chicago or
mercyhome.org/sunday-mass

Daily Mass at 10:00 AM from St. James Chapel
<https://radiotv.archchicago.org/television/broadcast-masses>

WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 AM

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 PM. Please call the rectory.

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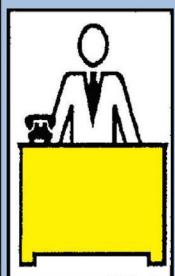


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