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## **Our Lady of China Chinese Catholic Community to Celebrate First Mass at Divine Savior Parish in Westland**

Our Lady of China Chinese Catholic Community of metro Detroit has been established at Divine Savior Parish, 39375 Joy Road, Westland. The inaugural Mass for this community will take place at 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, with Fr. Alexander Kuras, pastor of Divine Savior, as celebrant. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

“We invite everyone, regardless of ethnic origin or faith, to join this community of faith and, as friends, to celebrate its liturgies, proclaim the Word of God, and to cultivate works of charity, especially to the Church in China,” said Francis King, president of the Chinese Catholic Society of Michigan.

Our Lady of China Chinese Catholic Community was formed under the auspices of Cardinal Adam Maida, archbishop of Detroit. Spiritual direction for the community will be provided by Fr. Kuras and Fr. Raphael Shen, S.J., a professor at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Specific aspects of the Chinese Community’s worship at Divine Savior will be developed over time. Initially, Masses will be said in English, with a portion of the readings and songs in Chinese (Mandarin and/or Cantonese dialects).

Masses for the Chinese Community are scheduled every third Saturday of the month, joining the Catholic Parish of Divine Savior for their regular 6 p.m. Mass. Fr. Shen, if available, will be the celebrant at that Mass.

Divine Savior Parish is located on the south side of Joy, between I-275 and Newburgh, in Westland. For more details, call 734-455-3620.

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