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Stewardship of Prayer

SATURDAY, 2/3 - VIGIL OF 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

4:00pm † Francis & Helen Brunner
† Jessica Matuszak

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 2/4 - 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

9:00am † Robert Wiske

Rosary at 8:15am

MONDAY, 2/5 - ST. AGATHA, VIRGIN & MARTYR

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10 [8a]/Mk 6:53-56

9:00am † Deceased members of the Parish

TUESDAY, 2/6 - ST. PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11 [2]/Mk 7:1-13

9:00am Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, 2/7 - WEEKDAY

1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40 [30a]/Mk 7:14-23

9:00am † Theresa Somers

THURSDAY, 2/8 - SCHOOL MASS, WEST CAMPUS

1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40 [4a]/Mk 7:24-30

9:00am Intention of the Priest

SATURDAY, 2/10 - VIGIL OF 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

4:00pm † Evelyn Szurma

Rosary at 3:15pm

Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after Mass.

SUNDAY, 2/11 - 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

9:00am † Irma Redig Brayer

† James Brayer

Rosary at 8:15am

Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after Mass.

This week's School Mass is Thursday, February 8, 9am at the WEST Campus. Enter through the EAST side door of the church. All parishioners are invited to attend.

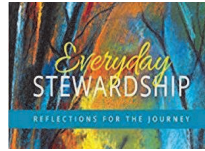
World Day of the Sick the weekend of Saturday, February 10 and Sunday, February 11. Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after the 4pm Mass and the 9am Mass. Prayer shawls, bracelets & scarves will be available in the Villard Avenue Hallway.



May Holy Mary, the Angels and all the Saints welcome
Suzanne Carpentier,
daughter of Carol Wiske, Parish Office Receptionist and
Dorothy Cira, wife of James, Parishioner

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen

*Do not grieve me, I've not gone away,
I'm in your heart and there I will stay.*

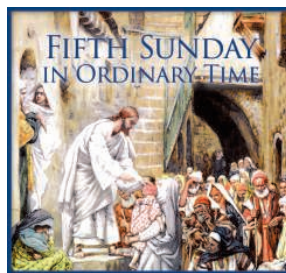


Sometimes we can feel like we are living the life of Job: everything is going wrong all at the same time. Everyone finds himself or herself in a valley once in awhile. How we got there is not nearly as important as how are we going to get out.

Everyday stewards are called to be grateful for all things, large and small. It is easier to be grateful for obvious things like family, health, and life itself, than it is to look for the ordinary gifts in our life. When we cultivate a sense of wonder and thankfulness for the many little things in life we find ourselves more resilient in times of trial. We can look out our window and see all those gifts in creation. We can look around our home and see all the things people take too easily for granted. Imagine life without some of the simplest things like clothing, warmth, water, and furniture. There are people in this world that long for all of those things. But God has given them for your benefit and for you to share with others.

Before Lent begins in a couple weeks, take the time to create a list of at least 10 things that you normally take for granted. Keep that list handy and maybe add to it from time-to-time. When life seems hard and that cloud seems to hang over our heads, bring out the list and let gratefulness lift you up and out of your plight so that once again you can be about your Father's work. --

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



GOSPEL MEDITATION
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
February 4, 2018 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For most of us, the dynamic between prayer and action is imperfect. Breakfast needs to be made and the kids dressed. Work demands our energy and additional responsibilities fill our evenings and weekends. Then there's the football game or a new TV series to stream. After all, don't we need to relax? We're all busy. But just imagine Jesus' situation in today's Gospel. He heals Peter's mother-in-law, drives out demons, and cures diseases late into the night. With very little sleep, he arises before dawn to capture some peace and quiet, only to find "those who were with him pursued him." How often do we feel pursued by the harried commitments, even when we try to seek rest? Perhaps we can learn something from the response of Jesus.

Jesus models two key things: the essential nature of prayer and the essential call of vocation. "He went off to a deserted place, where he prayed." Despite inevitable exhaustion, Jesus prioritizes time with the Father. We might not have easy access to deserts and mountaintops, but today's Gospel challenges us to take intentional time set apart for God. We can designate a "prayer chair" in a corner of our home or leave a little earlier to pick our children up from school so we can snatch time in a nearby chapel. We can pray the rosary on our commute or take the dog for a long walk in silence. However, when the Apostles arrive, Jesus doesn't linger overlong in the deserted place or make an excuse for why he can't return with his friends. Jesus is true to his calling. He continues on in his state of life, serving the people nearest to him. Like Jesus, we are invited to set intentional time for communion with God so that we can be refreshed and empowered for our communion with others.

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Rite of Acceptance & Welcome

On Sunday, February 11, at the 9:00am Mass we will celebrate the *Rite of Acceptance* for our two catechumens and the *Rite of Welcome* for our two adult candidates. In addition, our high school Confirmands will be recognized on their journey to Confirmation. Blessed Savior joyfully welcomes them and prays for God's blessings during this time of formation.

LENT BEGINS 2/14—ASH WEDNESDAY

A day of Fast & Abstinence. Mass with ashes, 9:00am in the church, 9:30am 4-Campus School Mass EAST Campus & 6:30pm in church.

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE FOR ST.VINCENT de PAUL February 18 through March 25.

HUMAN CONCERNS LENTEN LAYETTE

COLLECTION begins March 10 through March 18.

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Communal Reconciliation—March 17, 10AM

Palm Sunday, March 25, Blessing of Palms 4pm & 9am Masses

Holy Thursday—March 29, 6:30pm

Good Friday—March 30, 6:30pm

Easter Vigil—March 31, 8pm,

Easter Sunday—April 1, 8am & 10:00am Masses

Easter Monday—April 2, NO 9AM CHAPEL MASS

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK — Please pray for the following parishioners and others with health problems and for all those in nursing homes and those with continuing health concerns:

Bob B., Carmelo & Francisca Castro, Dennis Claas, Diane Henry, Eleanor Mishak, Connie Mueller, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Jeff Spyhalski, Joe & Joan Trinkl, Gloria Weinhold Mary Frances Williams

Lord, You invite all who are burdened to come to you,

May Your healing Hand restore them to health.

If you wish to add someone to the prayer list with their permission, please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033.



Mission Statement — Blessed Savior Catholic Parish, a welcoming open community of diverse disciples of Christ, affirms a way of life through prayer, service, and sharing.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal

The 2018 Catholic Stewardship Appeal launches this weekend with the theme "*Decide to Lead.*" The goal for Blessed Savior Parish is \$35,000 while the goal for the Archdiocese is \$7.7 million.

Some ministries receiving support include Communication, Ecumenical and Interfaith, Marriage and Family Life, Schools, Catechesis and Youth, Vocation and Diaconate, Stewardship, Worship and Liturgy.

All contributions will be used solely for the restricted purposes of the 2018 Catholic stewardship Appeal and for no other purposes. The Appeal funds ministries that serve families, strengthen parishes, support schools, and form priests and parish leaders within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The restricted purposes are identified specifically on the Appeal Web page www.catholicappeal.org.

Dollar Weekends, Sponsored by the Stewardship Commission

The Stewardship Commission is asking for your help to raise additional funds to offset the expenses for the Religious Formation Program. This collection will be on all the weekends of Lent. An empty water jug will be placed at each of the entrances before Mass. As you come or leave the Church, please drop in any donations. We will accept any change, dollars, or checks. If you choose to make a donation and want it credited to your account, please put your donation in an envelope with your name on it and drop it in the jug. Whatever you can afford to share would be much appreciated. However, any contribution should be in addition to your regular donation. Become part of this Parish activity and show your support for the Religious Formation Program. Thank you for supporting the Parish.



ASH WEDNESDAY is February 14.

It is our custom here at Blessed Savior to bring in your palms from last year to be burned to use for this year's ashes. There will be baskets at ALL of the church entrances for you to deposit your palms the weekends of February 3/4 & February 10/11.



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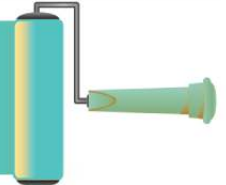
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