

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

July 9, 2017
14th Sunday in
Ordinary Time



Congratulations
Iggie & Gloria
Balistrieri
on your 60th
wedding
anniversary.

*May God keep
blessing the two of
you and may the love
you have for each
other keep growing
with time.*

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Closed Fridays

Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM—SUNDAY 9AM

Bulletin Deadline: Monday by NOON
Carol Spsychalski, Bulletin Editor

Sacraments

Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance by calling the parish office.

Individual: Any time by appointment

Communal: Seasonal as announced

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Contact the parish office to set up an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick (Communal)

Monthly and also by appointment.

Ministry to the Sick

When a parishioner or family member is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home, please call the parish office to have someone bring them Communion or visit.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.
414-464-3817—Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8-10am
Interfaith Older Adult Programs:
414-466-8858

Pastoral Council Officers — Parish Trustee

Joe Ratke, Chair
Paul Bina, Vice-Chair
Denise Wesserle, Secretary
Julia Atkinson, Treasurer
Mark Kuchta, Secretary

[Blessed Savior Catholic School](http://www.blessedsaviorschool.org)
www.blessedsaviorschool.org

North Campus

5501 N. 68th Street, 53218
414-466-0470

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5140 N. 55th Street, 53218
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4059 N. 64th Street, 53216
414-463-3878

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8545 W. Villard Ave., 53225
414-464-5775

Sarah Helms, Principal



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.

Stewardship of Prayer

SATURDAY, 7/8 VIGIL OF 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

4:00pm † Raymond & Florence Haase

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 7/9 - 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

9:00am Special Intention of Rosina Vungo

Rosary at 8:15am

MONDAY, 7/10 - WEEKDAY

Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

9:00am Parishioners

TUESDAY, 7/11 - ST. BENEDICT, ABBOT

Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15/Mt 9:32-38

9:00am † All Souls

WEDNESDAY, 7/12 - WEEKDAY

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

9:00am † Deceased members of the Parish

SATURDAY, 7/15 - VIGIL OF 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

4:00pm † Evelyn Roost

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 7/16 - 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:10-11/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

9:00am † Robert Ulik

Rosary at 8:15am

Prayer, Service & Sharing

*"For my yoke is easy,
and my burden light."*

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.

*"Everything we
gain comes from
what we give."*

St. Teresa of Avila

OUR PLEDGE IN STEWARDSHIP
DATE ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

YTD Budgeted

Contributions \$ 357,000.00

YTD Actual Contributions \$ 321,072.00

YTD Below Budget (\$ -35,928.00)

Boiler Fund Collected Between 1/1/17 – 6/30/17 \$ 3,381.00

Boiler Fund total is \$ 133,579.00

No Balance Needed. 😊 \$ 579.00



2,117 VOLUNTEER HOURS were completed by our parishioners from April through June of 2017

Dear Parishioners,



Sunday's gospel reflection:

This Sunday's gospel (Matt 11:25-30) begins with **Fr. Romanus** Jesus' expression of gratitude to the Father for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to the humble rather than to the wise and the learned. Of course, Jesus is not condemning wisdom and learning, but the tendency for the wise and the learned to gravitate towards pride and arrogance. These often mask a person's insecurity and vulnerability. There is nothing wrong with having a high self-esteem. However, thinking highly of oneself at the expense of everyone or looking down on others, reflects a failure to recognize our dependence on God. Only the humble could be led and inspired by the word of God.

In the second part of the gospel, Jesus invites all who labor and are burdened to come to him for much deserved rest. In the immediate, it is an invitation to find quiet time to be with God in spite of our very busy lives. Ultimately, it is an end-time invitation to God's kingdom. The burdens of life are anything but 'easy' and 'light.' However, they become so when we realize that we do not carry them alone. God is by our side, joined by the yoke.

Parish Trustees Re-elected: About six weeks ago, I informed you that the term of office for our two trustees had expired and that I was re-nominating them to continue as trustees. I also invited anyone who wished to nominate someone else to do so. Since there were no other nominations, there was no need for an election. Hence, in accordance with the rules, these trustees are to be considered re-elected.

To maintain the staggered nature of trustee terms, **Julia Atkinson**, the Trustee Treasurer, will serve a one year term in her position. **Mark Kuchta**, the Trustee Secretary, will serve a two year term. Please, join me in congratulating Mark and Julia on their re-election and their willingness to continue service to our parish as trustees.

Thanks to our out-going council members: As you know, the pastoral council is composed of dedicated men and women who work with me to ensure the smooth running of our parish. Council members serve three year renewable terms, unless they are completing someone's term.

Please, join me in thanking the following council members who will be leaving the council, namely: **Roby Luckett**, whose term expired, and who served as liaison to the Multi-Cultural Commission; **Dan McNeely**, who relocated further north due to a new employment. He served as council secretary and helps with maintaining our Facebook page. We greatly appreciate the dedicated service of these council members and wish them well.

Welcome our new council members: Two new members have also joined the pastoral council, namely: **Yolanda Coly** and **Chilero Agwoeme**. They will jointly serve as liaisons to the Multi-Cultural Commission. **Ginny Ebert** joined the council half-way into the year to fill in a vacancy. She has been elected to a new term and will continue as liaison to the School Advisory Committee. Join me in congratulating these parishioners on their membership on the pastoral council.

Pastoral Council Leaders: **Joe Ratke** was re-elected as council chair. **Paul Bina** whose term on the council expired was renewed for another term, and will continue as liaison to the Finance Council. He was also re-elected as vice-chair of the pastoral council. **Denise Wesslerle** was elected as council secretary.

I hope everyone had a Happy 4th!

Fr. Romanus

Be Aware!! Be Careful!!

Recently, we had some panhandlers in our parking lot after Mass. They are not allowed on the property. Please do not give them any money or donation. If you do, you are only encouraging them to come back. We don't know who these people are or where they come from. If there will be any organization asking for donations, we will inform you either through the bulletin or pulpit announcements. Our ushers have been informed to remove these people when they show up.
Always be careful, John Henry, Finance Director



SVDP EMPTY SHELF

For the weekend of July 15 & 16 and July 22 & 23 we are asking for **INSTANT POTATOES**

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: Carmelo & Francisca Castro, Diane Henry, Eleanor Mishak, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Karen Recklies, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Carol Runningen, John Schoofs, Jeff Spyhalski, Evelyn Szurma, Sr. Ceil Struck, OSF, Joe & Joan Trinkl, Gloria Weinhold, Marge Wesling, Mary Frances Williams

Lord, I'm weary. My energy is sagging, and my motivation is lagging. I am so in need of you. I need your strength.

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

A fun time was had at our Come Celebrate Our Diversity event held June 25 after the 9am Mass. A healthy crowd of parishioners and Multi-Cultural Commission members shared family stories and played games which brought smiles and togetherness. Balloons were flying, kids were scurrying and everybody was searching for something they didn't know about each other. Thanks to all who came and made this an enjoyable event! The Multi-Cultural Commission holds this event along with other gatherings every year. Keep your eyes and ears open for our next event and consider joining us!



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Parish Membership Welcome to Blessed Savior Catholic Church. If you are a vacationer, a guest or a visitor, we welcome your presence with us today. Thank you for coming; we hope that you will come again. To join our household of faith, please fill out the registration form (in the membership packet/folder) located in the vesting room or on round table in the Villard Hallway and give to Fr. Romanus or one of the Ushers. You could also call the parish office at 464-5033 or stop in and the necessary paperwork will be provided.

Jubilee Celebration for Married Couples Join the Office for Marriage & Family Life in celebrating your silver or golden wedding anniversary! The annual Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration is **Saturday, October 7, 2017**, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Parish, 589W22650 Milwaukee Ave., Big Bend. This Mass honors those married in 1992 or 1967, celebrating their 25th (silver) or 50th (golden) wedding anniversaries. Couples married over 50 years are also welcome to attend this celebration. A reception will follow the Liturgy. Cost is **\$40.00 per couple** and includes a commemorative certificate and a professional photo. For more information, please call 414-758-2201. Registration is required. Forms are available in the parish office. Complete and mail the form and a check for \$40 made payable to Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Send to Marriage and Family Life-Jubilee Celebration, Archdiocese of Milwaukee, PO Box 070912, Milwaukee, WI 53207 or visit <http://tinyurl.com/2017Jubilee-MKE>



DOMINIC DAYS! 162 & Capitol Dr. July 13-16
 Food/games/dinner/raffle/car show

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**Divine Mercy Fun Fest, South Milwaukee, July 14-16**  
 Fri. fish fry, Sat. ribs, Sun. Chicken dinner. Games raffle  
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Our Lady of Lourdes Festival, July 14-16, 58th & Forest Home
 Fri. fish fry, chicken dinner, craft beer, live music



A message from your bulletin editor:
 Funny, isn't it?? How we get thrilled when a football game goes into overtime but complain when a sermon is longer than anticipated or how a \$10 bill looks so big at church and so small in the mall.

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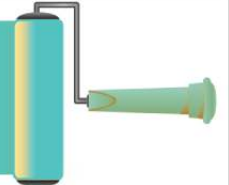
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