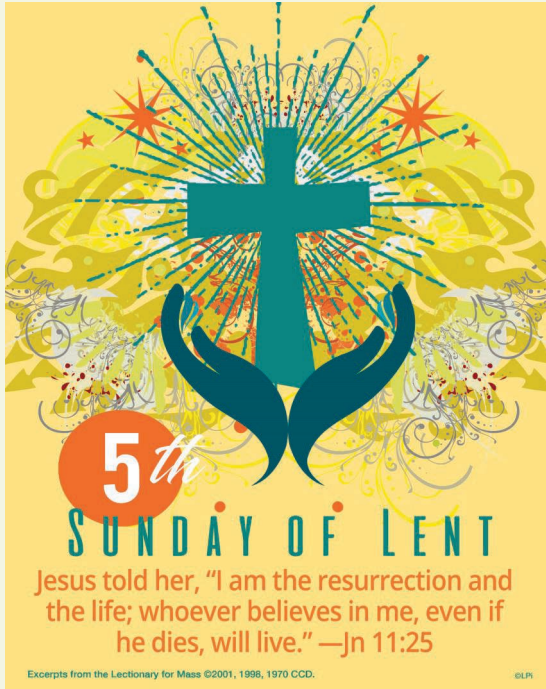


# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 5th Sunday of Lent March 18, 2018



**Saturday, March 10, 2018 at the 4:00pm Mass**  
**Andreas & Denise Wesslerle celebrated their**  
**40th Wedding Anniversary.**

*Anniversaries are days to celebrate the love that makes your marriage great. Wishing you still more dreams come true, more joy, more love for both of you.*



### 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.*

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**Parish Office Hours:** Mon.-Thurs. 8am - 4pm,

Closed Fridays

**Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM—SUNDAY 9AM**

**Weekdays: Mon. through Wed. 9am in the Chapel**

**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.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**Individual:** Any time by appointment

**Communal Penance:** 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.**

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## Stewardship of Prayer

**SATURDAY, 3/17 - VIGIL OF 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

4:00pm † Don Graczyk

Rosary at 3:15pm

**SUNDAY, 3/18 - 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

9:00am † Christian Goudiaby

Rosary at 8:15am

**MONDAY, 3/19 - ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE VIRGIN MARY**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

9:00am Parishioners

**TUESDAY, 3/20 - LENTEN WEEKDAY**

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

9:00am † Irvin &amp; Pearl Engel

**WEDNESDAY, 3/21 - LENTEN WEEKDAY**

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

9:00am † All Souls

**THURSDAY, 3/22 - SCHOOL MASS, NORTH CAMPUS**

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59

9:00am Intention of the Priest

**SATURDAY, 3/24 - VIGIL OF PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

4:00pm † Joe Donahue

Rosary at 3:15pm

Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after Mass

**SUNDAY, 3/25 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

9:00am † Milton Hohensee

Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is Thursday, March 22, 9am at the North Campus. Enter through the **WEST** side door of the church. **All parishioners are invited to attend.**



In today's bulletin you will find an envelope for your contribution to the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Campaign. The envelope will enable you to make your contribution by check or

cash. Your donation will be credited to your account if you put your name on the envelope or submit a check. Please make your check payable to **Blessed Savior Parish and write CRS Rice Bowl in the memo line**. You can deposit your envelope in the collection basket **next weekend, Palm Sunday, March 24/25, and on Holy Thursday, March 29 and on Easter, March 31/April 1**. If you used the Rice Bowl Box and would like to get credit, make sure your name is on the box. *Thank you for your generous donations.*



When I am driving throughout the United States, I enjoy seeing the billboards that dot the highways speaking for God. A couple of my favorites: "Life is short. Eternity is not. --God"; and "Let's meet at my house this Sunday, before the game. --God." God must have a pretty big advertising budget because he has billboards in pretty much every state!

One billboard I saw read, "You asked God for a sign, and here it is!" After a chuckle, I realized that we are always looking for a sign. We say we believe, but sometimes, we act like we just want to be sure.

In the Gospels, Jesus performs miracles and healings so that people would believe. The healing of Lazarus was surely a profound moment for all who were there. Jesus was able to show that he has power over even death itself, a foreshadowing to his resurrection that will occur in the not too distant future. For all who doubt, be assured that Jesus is the giver of life. He has given living water to the woman at the well, sight to the blind, and now has raised a man from the grave.

As Easter draws ever closer, how many more signs do you need? What else can Jesus do to convince you that his call on your life comes from the source of all life? As the US Bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship lays out, we have been challenged, we are asked to choose, and then our lives will be transformed. May all the signs of God around us, even billboards on the side of the road, move us to choose a path of giving of ourselves like Jesus.

*Tracy Earl Deliver, MTS © Liturgical Publications Inc.*

When I was first in parish work, I remember the parish priest talking with the schoolchildren about the topic of Lent and prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. He asked them if any of them knew what fasting was. After a very long wait, one student raised his hand and said, "It is what I do when my Mom is mad at me. I run really fast!" The adults in the assembly burst into laughter.

Laughter is good. However, the Lenten devotions of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are very serious practices for us as we prepare to celebrate the Easter mysteries.

As our catechumens prepare for the Easter sacraments, we are called by the Church to model what it means to be a Catholic Christian. We are called, especially during this Lenten season, to pray, fast, and give from the wealth we have to those who need our assistance.

This season is not merely a season of obligation to act more intently as God calls us to act; it is a season of opportunity to practice the foundation of our faith more attentively: prayer, fasting, almsgiving.

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**TALK ABOUT, THIS WEEKEND** after each Mass in the church hall with Melissa Lydecker, PT, from Build Independent Designs, a company that specializes in making accommodations in the home for those who have mobility issues due to physical issues. Bring your questions. Coffee, cold water and snacks will be available.



Anointing of the sick Saturday, March 24 after the 4pm Mass. Prayer shawls, bracelets, scarves will be available in the Villard Avenue Hallway before and after Mass.



**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**STATIONS of the CROSS**—Fridays through March 23 @ 6pm with Charismatic prayer after.—**PARK ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE CHURCH & ENTER THROUGH DOORS MARKED 3W.**



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

**CRS RICE BOWL COLLECTION** starts February 18. Palm Sunday, March 25, Blessing of Palms 4pm & 9am Masses Holy Thursday—March 29, 6:30pm Good Friday—March 30, 6:30pm Parish Office Closed

Easter Vigil—March 31, 8pm, Easter Sunday—April 1, 8am & 10:00am Masses

Easter Monday—April 2, **NO 9AM CHAPEL MASS** Parish Office Closed



**Easter Flower Offering** Please use the envelope from your weekly packet for your Easter flower memorials or pick one up from the table in the back of church. If you are participating in Faith Direct and wish to have a loved one's name in memory or honor of, please fill out an envelope or sheet of paper and drop it in the collection basket or call the parish office @ 414-464-5033 with their names and they will be recorded. **Remember to print clearly, indicating the name of those whom the memorial or honor is intended for.**

**BLESSED SAVIOR LENTEN FOOD DRIVE PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 25**—Knorr Rice, Noodle Side Dishes, Canned Ravioli & Spaghetti O's, Jelly/Jam, Hand Soap.



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Monday, March 19 Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary. Like Joseph, protect the life of Jesus in those around you. Mat. 1:20



**Tuesday, March 20**

**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:

**Amber Anderson, Jacqueline Anderson, Mary Beth Caddell, Carmelo & Francisca Castro, Dennis Claas, Diane Henry, Eleanor Mishak, Connie Mueller, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Jeff Spyhalski, Joe & Joan Trinkl, Mildred Webster, Gloria Weinhold, Mary Frances Williams.**



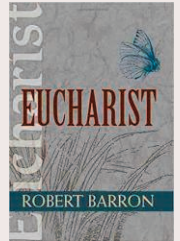
Join us for the Blessed Savior/St. Margaret Mary Book Club presentation and discussion of Our One Great Act of Fidelity, concerning the Eucharist, by Fr. Ronald Rolheiser. This brief but important book, which can be ordered on Amazon or found at Barnes and Noble, will be discussed on Sunday, March 25 from 12:30PM-2PM in the Blessed Savior Parish Hall. Hospitality will be offered. Even if you can't read the book, all are welcome to attend.

**You Are Invited To Join St. Margaret Mary and Blessed Savior Parishes For A Free Seven Part Series**

**Entitled "Catholicism Today" Featuring Bishop Robert Barron**

**This weeks Topic: Liturgy and the Eucharist** Wednesday, March 21, 6PM-7:15PM Blessed Savior in the Parish Hall Sunday, March 25, 6:15PM-7:30PM at St. Margaret Mary in Sampon Hall.

Questions, call Dave Liccione -573-9292.



**St. Luke Brookfield – Special Needs Resource Fair** All are Welcome! Wheelchair races for all!

Free meal for those with Special Needs!

Please join us Saturday, April 21, 2018 from 10:00 a.m.

to 1:00 p.m. We hope to see you there. St. Luke Brookfield, 18000 W. Greenfield Avenue, Brookfield, WI 53045. [SNRF@stlukebrookfield.org](mailto:SNRF@stlukebrookfield.org)

**St. Joseph Chapel Centennial Concert**, Sunday, March 18 – 2:00 PM, St. Joseph Chapel, 1501 S. Layton Blvd. . A free reception follows in St. Joseph Hall. Details: Sister Mary Jane Wagner at [mjwagner@sssf.org](mailto:mjwagner@sssf.org).

**FISH FRY FRIDAY**

St. Anthony Menomonee Falls, March 23 (dine in & carry-out) \$7, \$9, \$32 bucket.

St. Agnes in Butler, March 23(last of the season) 4-7pm \$8 - includes cod, slaw, rye bread. Eat in or carry out.



**Early Bulletin Deadlines.** Bulletin announcements for the March 25 bulletin are due March 19 by NOON.

April 1 bulletin is due March 23. Please have your articles to me as early as you can. Email to [blessedsavior@archmil.org](mailto:blessedsavior@archmil.org) or bring them to the office. Articles are approved by Fr. Romanus.

Thank you, Carol



A message from your bulletin editor: In Wisconsin, does shivering count as exercise???

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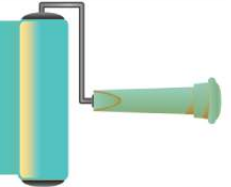
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