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Parish Office Hours: Mon. -Thursday 8am - 4pm

Closed Fridays

Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM—SUNDAY 9AM

Bulletin Deadline: Monday by NOON Carol Spychalski, 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: 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 Dan McNeely, Secretary

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Blessed Savior Catholic School www.blessedsaviorschool.org

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5501 N. 68th Street, 53218

414-466-0470

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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, 5/6 - VIGIL OF 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER *Acts* 2:14*a*, 36-41/1 *Pt* 2:20*b*-25/J*n* 10:1-10

4:00pm † Dorothy Kubisiak

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 5/7 - 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10 9:00am † Joseph J. Fadden

Rosary at 8:15am

Baptism of Addison Mary Hoener

MONDAY, 5/8 - EASTER WEEKDAY Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Jn 10:11-18 NO 9AM CHAPEL

TUESDAY, 5/9 - EASTER WEEKDAY Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-7/Jn 10:22-30 NO 9AM CHAPEL MASS

WEDNESDAY, 5/9 - ST. DAMIEN DE VEUSTER Acts 12:24--13:5a/Ps 67:23, 5-6, 8/Jn 12:44-50 NO 9AM CHAPEL MASS

SATURDAY, 5/13 - VIGIL OF 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

4:00pm † Al & Jean Siegel

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 5/14 - 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MOTHERS DAY

Acts 6:1-7/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

9:00am † Milton Hohensee

Rosary at 8:15am

Prayer, Service & Sharing

"And Peter said to them Repent, and be

baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ." Acts 2:38

The word "repent" means to turn from sin, to change our actions. When it comes to change, do we take responsibility for change or do we think that others have to change instead? Change that is permanent comes from within, we must take control and be disciplined. Remember though that we are not alone, Jesus is there to help lighten the load.

Just a reminder – Parish Council

Parish Nomination Forms are still at the end of each Pastoral pew. Three individuals are discerned every spring for a three year term. To be considered for council a person needs to be

an active registered member of the parish, 18 years of age or older, not an employee of the parish or a family member of an employee. The ideal person is prayerful, collaborative, active in the parish. Please prayerfully consider nominating yourself or someone else to serve. The completed forms can be put it the collection basket or returned to the parish office. The deadline is May 22nd. The final selection will be done by discernment. Discernment is the norm in this Diocese. After orientation and discernment new councilors start by attending the June meeting. If you have questions please ask any council member.



In the past year, my wireless provider introduced something called HD Voice. Suddenly, the voice I heard on my phone was unbelievably clear and it felt at times like both the caller and I were in the same room. The best

aspect of this feature is that it didn't cost the customer any additional fees and it didn't require any changes to the phone. I could say it was free, but I suspect I was already paying for it in my monthly bill anyway. At least it felt free. The clearer the voice calling you, the easier it is to recognize who it is on the other end of the call. How clearly can you hear the voice of Jesus Christ? In John's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the gatekeeper who opens the gate and calls for his sheep. They respond because they know his voice. Others try to lure the sheep when the gatekeeper is not there, but the sheep find their voices unclear or unfamiliar.

Jesus is our gatekeeper, but unlike receiving something for free from a wireless company, to be able to hear his voice we need to pay attention and practice listening. By developing a stewardship way of life that is mindful and prayerful, we become attuned to his voice and are able to discern when the call is from our Lord and when it is from an imposter. It is great to talk about all the things we can do and all the gifts we can share, but if are not listening for his call to hear where our offerings are needed, we can end up like a lost sheep searching for the gatekeeper.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © Liturgical Publications Inc

4th Sunday of Easter Gospel Reflection

"Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." Jesus uses the image of a gate today to help us understand how we are to relate to him. He is our path to "pasture," in other words, to the peace and prosperity that we long for. He shows us the way to find all that we need right there before us. Some people, however, may think that it's better to avoid the trouble of finding the gate and thus choose to enter another way instead. But Jesus says, "Whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber." Although this is all cast in the gentle terms of an analogy about sheep, the message is actually rather stern. Jesus is telling us that if we don't follow him, we are taking the wrong course of action. He is not suggesting a kind of relativistic principle that says, "Following me is one of many good options." No. He is telling us that in order to "have life and have it more abundantly," we must follow the path that goes by way of Christ. This isn't always the easiest path to follow. It might mean taking the long way around a situation instead of a shortcut. It might mean waiting a little while to get to that pasture instead of hopping the fence and finding it on our own terms. Insisting on using the gate may also make us look like fools to those around us. But to be truly faithful followers of Jesus, we need to trust that his way is the best way. We need to trust that, by letting him lead, we will ultimately end up in the best possible pasture. In our culture, it is becoming less and less popular to believe in one true religion, but as Christians we know that Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life. 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 7, 2017 3



Our Pledge in Stewardship

DATE ENDING APRIL 30, 2017

YTD Budgeted Contributions \$ 298,452.00

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YTD Below/Above Budget (\$ 24,179.00)

Good Friday Holy Land Collection \$ 514.59

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"I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matt. 25:35)

Blessed Savior Parish extends a warm welcome to Dale & Tina Koleski

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MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE

Roses will be available after all Masses SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MAY 13 & 14@ \$2 EACH.

PROCEEDS WILL BE USED BY THE WISCONSIN RIGHT TO LIFE-MILWAUKEE CHAPTER FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES AND SUPPORT LOCAL PREGNANCY HELP CENTERS.

REMEMBER MOM, FOSTER MOMS, GRANDMOTHER, GODMOTHER AND AUNTIES TOO WITH A RED ROSE, THE SYMBOL OF LIFE.





Thank You ```Blessed Savior``` The Human Concerns Commission and the many babies who benefitted from the Spring Layette Collection THANK YOU Thank you very much for your generosity in giving

over 500 lovely items. The beautiful handmade blankets, many onesie playsuits, the practical gifts of lotions, & baby wipes. The wonderful stewardship of our parish is evident in the caring for others. All the gifts were bagged on Palm Sunday, 5 large lawn & leaf bags to each agency, Alpha Women's Center, Hope House & Women's Support Group.

God Blessings to all of you, Human Concerns Commission



National Teacher's Day, May 9, 2017

Let's Pray for the Teacher's molding our youth. Almighty God, We come to you today and give thanks for all our teachers. Thank you for the way in which they give of themselves each day in the classroom, serving and instructing the next generation of this land. We thank you for them all now. Amen



May, Month Mary

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of the thy womb, Jesus, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen



Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Jesus, good and gentle Shepherd, we pray for those among us who hear your voice and call to a vocation in the Church. Help them to

be unafraid of that calling from you of service to the universal church. Gift them courage to boldly say yes to your call. Help us to encourage them in their long journey of discernment and formation. We ask all these things in the name of the Good Shepherd, Jesus, our savior and our brother. Amen.

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: Joe Augustine, 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, Maury & Gloria Weinhold, Marge Wesling. Mary Frances Williams

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

Resources to Help Keep Kids Safe

The Web site of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children offers dozens of well-produced informational brochures covering a broad range of child safety topics. Go to www.ncmec.org and click on "Resources for Parents & Guardians" to find these brochures and other helpful information about child safety.

Source: www.ncmec.org



Casino Nite—St. Florian Parish 1215 S. 45 St. —-May 20, 6pm-11pm www.stflorian.org/casino-nite.htm 414-801-7700

>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> Human Trafficking: Education & Awareness St. Dominic Parish May 18, 7-8:30pm—Parish Arts & Activities Center.



Fabulous Fish Fry May 19, 4—7:30pm—St. Bernadette Parish8

8200 Denver Ave. Dine in or Carry Out—Information 358-4600 www.stbweb.com

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A message from your bulletin editor: I've seen better days, but I've also seen worse. I don't have everything that I want, but I do have all I need. I woke up with some aches and pains, but I woke up. My life may not be perfect but I am blessed.

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