



Catechetical Sunday

September 17, 2017

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

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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, 9/16 - VIGIL OF 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:30-28:7/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

4:00pm † John & Lucy Arends

Rosary at 3:15pm

Baptism of Ava Ann-Marie Fosticz

SUNDAY, 9/17 - 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 27:30-28:7/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

9:00am † Dorothy Kubisiak

Rosary at 8:15am

MONDAY, 9/18 - WEEKDAY

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7-9/Lk 7:1-10

9:00am † Christian Goudiaby

TUESDAY, 9/19 - ST. JANUARIUS, BISHOP & MARTYR

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6/Lk 7:11-17

9:00am Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, 9/20 - STS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GÖN, PRIEST &
PAUL CHÖNG HA-SANG & COMPANIONS

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 7:31-35

9:00am † Bob & Mary Chapman

THURSDAY, 9/21 - SCHOOL MASS, EAST CAMPUS

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/Mt 9:9-13

9:00am Intention of the Priest

SATURDAY, 9/23 - VIGIL OF 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

4:00pm † Jane Ziem

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 9/24 - 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

9:00am † John Schoofs

Rosary at 8:15am

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AFTER THE 9AM MASS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Stewardship Prayer

Heavenly Father, help us to understand that just as we want our children to grow up to be grateful and generous adults, you want us to grow spiritually and become grateful and generous Christians. AMEN
Brian Kluth, Church Worship Services



*We bless you, God of Seed
and Harvest
And we bless each other.
That the beauty of this
world And the love that
created it Might be
expressed through our
lives And be a blessing to
others Now and always. AMEN*



Life was not always easy with my father when I was growing up. Let's just say he made many decisions along the way that led to fear, anger, and sadness for my family and me.

Unfortunately, I was the only one in the family that would years later truly forgive him for his actions. My mother and sister held onto the resentment and anger they felt all their lives. For my father and me, reconciliation led to several years of a deepening relationship before his passing in 2011.

Forgiveness is not easy and I do not consider myself better or stronger because I was able to forgive and my family members could not. However, I can say that the blessings I received due to forgiveness and a renewed relationship with my father were far better than the animosity experienced by others. I also learned that forgiveness benefited me far more than my father.

As good stewards of time, we must realize that each passing day will never come again. What we do with that time is completely up to us. We can be wise and use it to build bridges, heal wounds, and cultivate love where there is hate. We can also choose to waste time in fear, resentment, and anger. I thank God often for the gift of my dad. However, I thank God more for the gift of time spent with him and the ability to see him not with my human eyes, but with the eyes of Jesus.

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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?" The parable Jesus tells today is the story of a king, but in truth it is about Jesus himself. He is the "king" who has forgiven our debts. We are the "servants" whose sins have earned us chastisement. But when we repent and ask for Christ's mercy, he grants it to us without hesitation.

The point of the parable, then, is that we too should extend this mercy to others. We should not be like that "wicked servant" who begged for mercy but would not show it to others. Elsewhere, Jesus teaches us to pray, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors" (Mt. 6:12). We use different words, but a similar meaning when we pray the Our Father asking God to "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." But are we sure that we mean what we say?

It's important to pause and evaluate how we are doing in this regard. Are we harboring any grudges? Are there people we refuse to forgive? Is there a situation where we are seeking revenge instead of extending mercy? Jesus asks us to do otherwise. He reminds us that we have already been forgiven. We are right now enjoying the benefits of his forgiveness. So we are called to bear in mind our own sins, failings, weaknesses, and "debts" when we deal with others instead of thinking that we are perfectly innocent and acting as if we've never been the beneficiary of mercy. So let us do our best to forgive as we have been forgiven. This doesn't mean approving of wrong behavior; God doesn't ask us to do that. But he does ask us to let go of bitterness and foster mercy instead.

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To All St. Margaret Mary and Blessed Savior Parish Members-

In our attempt to develop and strengthen the new religious education program collaboration efforts between our two parishes, there will be two “listening sessions” held in the coming days to solicit input from as many parishioners as possible. Any and all church members are welcome and encouraged to attend either or both gatherings. The first meeting will be held, on **Monday, September 18th at Blessed Savior Parish** in the **Parish Hall** 8545 W. Villard Ave, from **6:30PM-7:30PM**. (Park in the back parking lot of the school and enter through the breezeway doors.) The second session will be held the following night on **Tuesday, September 19th at St. Margaret Mary Parish** 3970 N. 92nd Street in **Sampon Hall**, in the church basement, from **6:30PM to 7:30PM**. We hope to see as many parishioners as possible to solicit your input.

Dave Liccione, Director of Faith Formation



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,
Joe Donahue, Lynne Floryance, Diane Henry,
Evie Kaminski, Eleanor Mishak, Ginny & Donald Naegle,
Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Carol Runnigen,
Jeff Spyhalski, Joe & Joan Trinkl, Gloria Weinhold,
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.



2017 Mission Appeal Community of St. Paul

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Q. Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday

The mission of the church reflects the mission of Jesus to teach, preach, heal, and forgive. Through these acts, Jesus shares the good news of salvation and invites all people to share in the life and love of God. The church continues this mission in all its ministries, but especially, and perhaps most importantly, through catechesis. Catechetical Sunday is celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of September. The task of handing on the Gospel is entrusted to the whole community, who by word and example, form young and new members in the way of the Gospel. Parish programs assist parents in teaching the basics of faith through liturgical experience, instruction, and faith formation. This ministry is essential for the parish to grow, for individuals to develop as believers, and for the ongoing spiritual formation of the whole community. It reminds the church that preaching the Gospel and growing in faith are essential to our sacramental practice and our liturgical prayer. On this Sunday, we recognize those who are called to be teachers and ask for God’s blessing and grace.

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Attention all 8th grade girls entering Catholic High School in the fall of 2018. The John and Kathleen Schneider Family Foundation is offering a \$1,000 high school scholarship. Information and application forms are available in the Villard hallway literature rack.



Morning of Reflection

Come to a Morning of Reflection at the Saint Clare Center entitled “**The Path of St. Francis.**” This Morning of Reflection will take place on **September 30, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**, at Cardinal Stritch University. The cost is \$20. Register by calling 414-410-4405 or online at www.stritch.edu/SaintClareEvents.

New Horizons Weekend of Healing for Separated/Divorced Friday-Sunday, October 13-15, 2017

Schoenstatt Retreat Center in Waukesha

An opportunity for divorced persons to pause and examine their lives – their strong points and weaknesses. The cost of \$150 includes five meals and lodging for the entire weekend. Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 4, 2017. For more information or a registration form, please contact Annette in The Office for Marriage and Family Life at 414-758-2201 or visit www.johnpaul2center.org/NewHorizons.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

THANK YOU to all the Parish members who donated school supplies to our school. You have helped us get off to a great start this school year! We truly appreciate all the donations.



Sincerely, The Students and Staff at Blessed Savior Catholic School-North, South, East, and West Campuses **THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**



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