

# BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH

## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 11 2024

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site  
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### Download our App:

For iPhone Text: ParishApp1 to 555888  
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**Sacraments:** Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

**Ministry to the Sick:** When a parishioner or family member is hospitalized, homebound, or in a nursing home, please call the parish office.

### Anointing of the Sick:

**Communal** - Last Sunday of the month  
**Individual** - Any time and also by appointment.

**Baptisms:** Call the parish office to set up appointment.

**Confessions:** Call the parish office.

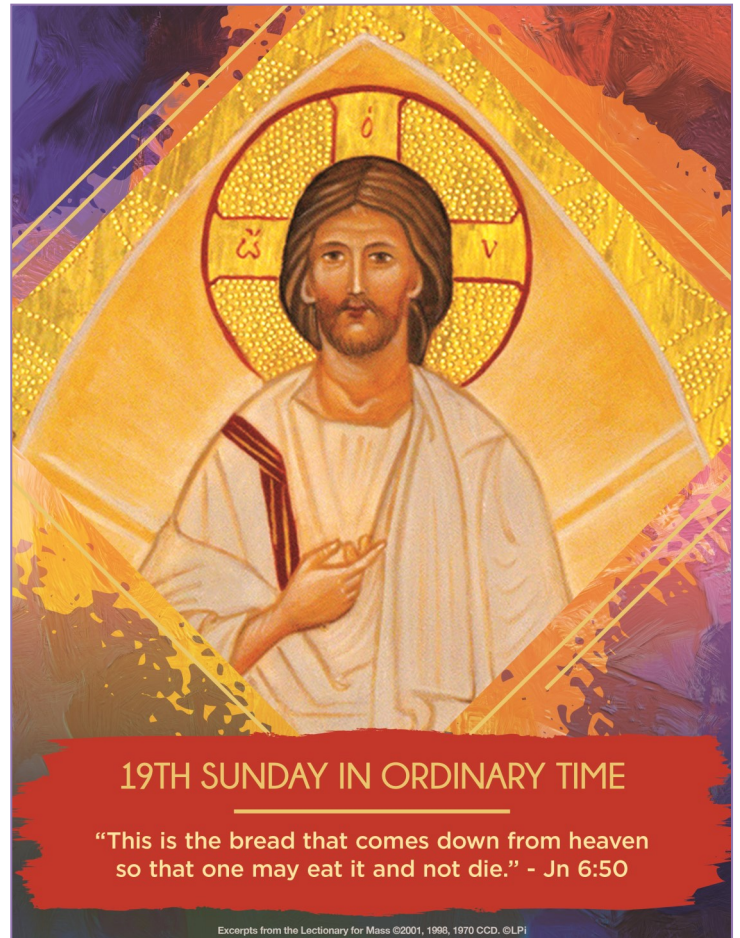
**Communal Penance:** Scheduled in Lent and Advent.

**Funerals:** Call the parish office in the event of the death of a loved one.

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

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 5558 N. 69 St.  
414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

<b>Pastoral Council Officers:</b> Kevin Senfleben, Chair Steve Alioto, Vice-Chair Bruce Mayer, Secretary	<b>Parish Trustees:</b> Larry Kalbas, Treasurer Christian Nwonye, Secretary
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**School Website:** [www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org](http://www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org)

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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.*

MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, 8/10 Vigil of 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3,4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

**4:00pm** † Lucille Hanus

**Sunday, 8/11 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3,4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

**9:00am** † Henri Goudiaby  
 Rosary at 8:15am

**Monday, 8/12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious**  
 Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

**9:00am** Parishioners

**Wednesday, 8/14 St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**  
 Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

**9:00am** † Manuela Ogas

**Saturday, 8/17 Vigil of 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

**4:00pm** † Sheila McCaffrey

**Sunday, 8/18 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58

**9:00am** † Faustino & Eliza Piana  
 Rosary at 8:15am

Mass Intentions for 2024



We are still taking Mass Intentions for 2024. If you wish to have Mass offered for a loved one, call the parish office, 414-464-5033.

**Beginning July 1, the stipend for Mass intentions has been changed by the Wisconsin Bishops Conference to \$20. This does not affect Masses that are already booked.**

Welcome to Blessed Savior Parish!

If you are currently not a registered member of our parish and would like to join, complete the form on the table at the Church entrance and mail it to the parish office or drop it in the weekend collection. You can also call the parish office at 414-464-5033, or email us at parish@blessedsavior.org. We will follow up with a call.



We hope you decide to become a member of Blessed Savior. We welcome the chance to get to know you!



A message from your bulletin editors:

What style of music weighs the most?

*Heavy metal*

Pastor's Gospel Reflection

This Sunday, we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's gospel started two Sundays ago with the Feeding of the Five Thousand. We have two more Sundays remaining in a five-Sunday exploration of this chapter with enormous Eucharistic implications. The idea of reading from the same chapter on the same subject for five Sundays may sound too repetitive and boring. However, it underscores the importance of having faith in divine benevolence. The sixth chapter of John's gospel is part of what scholars refer to as "The Bread of Life Discourse." Comprised of sixty-nine verses, it happens to be the longest chapter in John's gospel.

In this Sunday's gospel, the crowd responds to Jesus' emphatic assertion last Sunday that he is "the bread of life" by murmuring. Obviously, these people knew him and his family too well and wondered why he would claim to be the bread of life that came down from heaven. To them, it sounded like crazy-talk. They failed to understand that the Jesus of Nazareth they knew too well was also the Christ of faith, the Son of God.

The theology of "hypostatic union" states that Jesus Christ is comprised of two natures, the heavenly and the earthly. These two natures are united in an inseparable bond. Whereas Jesus' hometown people knew him as Jesus of Nazareth, they did not know him as the Christ of faith. Their knowledge of one did not translate to a knowledge of the other. In their confusion, they asked, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven?'"

Jesus distinguishes the 'bread of life' from perishable food like the manna their ancestors ate in the wilderness but died nonetheless. On the contrary, the bread he gives will lead to eternal life. You could imagine how perplexed they felt to learn that the bread he had been speaking about was actually his own flesh. What would you think if your neighbor was speaking of himself/herself in this manner? Their lack of faith could be due to the inability to understand the two-nature theory and a general lack of openness to new revelation and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

For us, however, we have come to know Jesus intimately in the Eucharist as food that nourishes and strengthens. To those who receive him shortly before passing from this life, he becomes "food for the journey" or "viaticum." Certainly, we could see the connection to the first reading where God fed Elijah through an angel. The angel said to Elijah, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you" (1 Kings 19:7). Although the connection to viaticum is evident, it also applies to life itself a journey. We need the constant and frequent nourishment from the Eucharist to sustain us through life's journey.

Those who deprive themselves of the spiritual strength that comes from receiving the body and blood of Christ would be unable to complete the journey of life. The food an angel provided for Elijah strengthened him to journey forty days

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and forty nights to Mount Horeb. Likewise, the frequent reception of Holy Communion gives us the requisite strength to complete the journey of life. One who understands the true meaning of the Eucharist would do everything possible to be present at every Mass and take advantage of every opportunity to receive Communion. It is also important that we receive the sacrament worthily by addressing any impediment posed by sin. Fortunately, we have a loving and compassionate God who is eager to forgive and reconcile with his children. This points to the indispensable sacrament of reconciliation.

Have a great week!

Fr. Romanus

## Get Connected to Catholic Campus Ministry and Save Your Faith

“So, where are you going?” This is probably one of the most asked questions of graduating high schoolers. We have the same question for you, but we also want to know where your faith life is headed. Do you need a little help in that regard? We can help you get plugged into Catholic campus ministry when you start college this fall. Fill out the form at <https://signupnc.newmanministry.com/> and with the partnership of Newman Connections you will be welcomed by the campus ministry at your school. God be with you!

## 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:

**Jantina Andriano, Jackie Ballering,  
Gene Brunner, David Cheever, Rhey Clemente,  
Catherine Felber, Katie Flynn, Robin Flynn,  
Tom Glorioso, Gayle Hanus, Nadjah Hasan,  
Diane Henry, Mike Hubbard,  
Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King,  
Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger, Jr.,  
Allan & Lorraine Rischman,  
Jeanne Rossner, Thomas Schmid,  
Sharon Tym, Dale Verbanec  
Mary Frances Williams**

*Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience with pain.*

If you wish to add someone to the Sick List with their permission, call the parish office at 414-464-5033.

Remember to pray for all the intentions in the book of “Joys and Concerns” and all those who wrote them.

**The African Catholic Committee of the Black Catholic Ministry Commission of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee invites you to a discussion around the Mystery of the Eucharist**

**Theme:**  
The Sacrament of the Eucharist: Meaning, importance and symbolism in our Catholic faith.



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th 2024 12pm - 6pm**

**Christ King Parish, 2604 N Swan Blvd Milwaukee, WI 53226**

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:  
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## RAISING Saints

IN THE MODERN WORLD



**PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS!**

Join us for an inspiring evening with the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia as they share their personal experiences of family and parish life to teach us ways to pray as a family. Whether you're new to family prayer or already have a deep spiritual life, this event will guide you in bringing your children and grandchildren closer to God.

**Free, and no registration is required – bring a friend!**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**  
**6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
St. Mary Parish  
9520 W. Forest Home Ave., Hales Corners

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
**6:30-8:30 p.m.**  
Lumen Christi Catholic Church  
2750 W. Mequon Road, Mequon

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## Saint Vincent DePaul's Food Pantry

For the weekend of **Aug 17th and 18th**, the Food Pantry could use your help filling the shelves with **Hamburger Helper/Pork & Beans**

**Thank you for your support and prayers. May God bless you.**

## St. Jude the Apostle Parish Announces St. Jude Novena Masses

St. Jude the Apostle Parish is holding their annual series of Masses for the St. Jude Novena next month. The parish will pray a St. Jude Novena for nine consecutive Tuesdays, beginning on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and ending on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The novena will be prayed each Tuesday at 5:15 pm, followed by Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for Reconciliation will follow Mass. The feast day of St. Jude is October 28.

St. Jude the Apostle Parish is located at 734 Glenview Ave., Wauwatosa. Please direct any questions to Katie at (414)258-8821 or [kkearns@stjudetheapostle.net](mailto:kkearns@stjudetheapostle.net).