

# BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH

## 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 16, 2025

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site  
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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 for communion and/or anointing.

### 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.

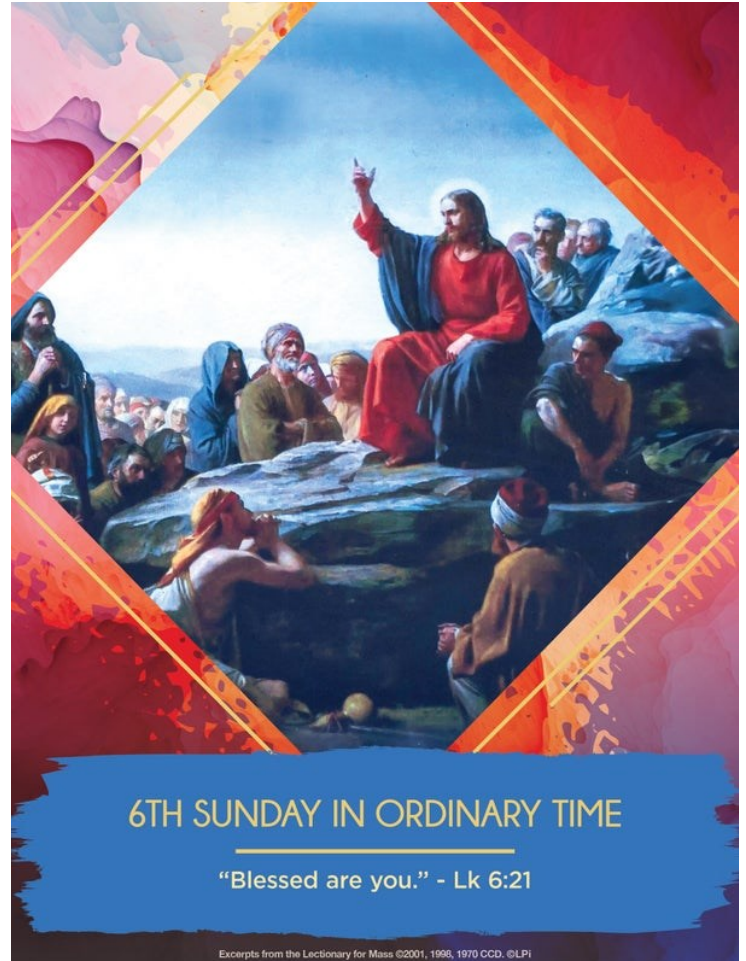
**Communal Penance:** Scheduled in Lent and Advent.

**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>	<b>Parish Trustees:</b>
Kevin Senfleben, Chair	Larry Kalbas, Treasurer
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**School Website:** [www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org](http://www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org)

### West Campus

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414-464-5775  
Natalie Galloway, Principal

### East Campus

5140 N. 55th St., 53218  
414-438-2745  
Erin O'Donnell, Principal



### South Campus

4059 N. 64th St., 53216  
414-463-3878  
Paula Dixson, 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.*

MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, 2/15 Vigil of The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26  
**4:00pm** † Jose Valdivia  
Funeral at 11:00am

**Sunday, 2/16 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26  
**9:00am** † Geraldine Green  
Rosary at 8:15am

**Monday, 2/17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order**  
Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13  
**9:00am** † John Pankratz

**Tuesday, 2/18 School Mass - West Campus**  
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21  
**9:00am** Intentions of the priest

**Wednesday 2/19**  
Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26  
**9:00am** † Parishioners

**Saturday, 2/22 Vigil of The 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38  
**4:00pm** † Anne Simone

**Sunday, 2/23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38  
**9:00am** † Francisco & Norma Clemente  
Rosary at 8:15am

SCHOOL MASS DIRECTIVE

**West Campus: 8545 W. Villard Ave**  
Enter through the east side door of the church.

SAVE THE DATE 🕯️  
COME CELEBRATE

**BLESSED SAVIOR'S GRANDPARENTS & FAMILY DAY**  
Bring your grandchildren and your entire family to come join us for a special Mass and celebration of families. All faiths are invited to be part of this special celebration and blessing.

This will be followed by fellowship in the hall  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 9:00 MASS**

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEP-ER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": "Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of" (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— Father John Muir

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

We all know that there are times when life can feel, as Jeremiah writes, empty and wasted. There are moments when we think we resemble a barren bush, thirsting in the desert sun.

That's why it is imperative for us to know the location of our water source. I promise you, it's closer than you think. God never planted a seed in barren ground.

For me, it's the Mass. Going to Mass is where I find total peace and renewal. I don't have any great theological explanation for this — Mass is simply where I can truly rest in God for a time, where nothing and no one in the world can touch me. And wouldn't you know it, it's in the toughest times that I need Mass the most — that my roots stretch harder for that water.

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Woe to the rich, says Jesus — woe to the popular, to the content, to the happy. It's not because He hates to see us smile. It's because He knows our humanity. He knows our limitations. He knows that when things are going really well, we often stop looking for God.

What replenishes you as a disciple, as a steward, as a Christian? If it feels far away or hard to reach, why is that? How can you bring it closer?

We are all trees planted near water, to yield our fruit in due season. Let's pray for the strength to know where our water source is, and to seek it both in good times and in bad.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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**MY BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL**  
**BLACK**  
**HISTORY**  
**MONTH**  
**FAMILY PAINTING PARTY**  
 PRESENTED BY THE BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY  
 COMMISSION OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE  
 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025  
 6:30PM TO 8:30PM  
 ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 4051 NORTH 25TH STREET  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION:  
 CONTACT TAI WORDS NABORS  
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 PLEASE DRESS ACCORDINGLY

### Slovak League of America-Milwaukee

The Slovak Pre-Lenten Dance (Fasiangy) will be held on Sunday, February 23rd, 2025 beginning at 12 Noon at Sacred Heart Church Hall, 917 N. 49<sup>th</sup> Street Milwaukee, WI.

Slovak food and bakery will be available for purchase. The Ed Hause Band will provide music for dancing and your listening pleasure. The Tatra Slovak Dancers will perform at 2:00 pm. Donation/Admission is \$5.00 per person. For more information, please contact Betty at 414-425-6137.

### 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 Adriano, Jackie Ballering,  
 Gene Brunner, Rhey Clemente,  
 Catherine Felber, Katie Flynn, Robin Flynn,  
 Tom Glorioso, Gayle Hanus, Nadjah Hasan,  
 Diane Henry, Mike Hubbard, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King,  
 Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger, Jr.,  
 Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Thomas Schmid,  
 Sharon Tym, Dale Verbanec,  
 Mary Frances Williams, Christine Lindstrum, Richard Piana,  
 Lucia Rivera, Rosina Vungo

*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.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday in the Chapel, 11am-2:30pm.  
 Use the east church door entrance.

From 5pm-6:30pm, use the west church door entrance.



The Human Concerns Layette collection which used to be during Lent, has been changed a few years ago. We shifted it to April 12- May 4 so the mothers receive the collected items just in time for Mother's Day. Keep your eyes open for the bassinet at the back of church starting April 12th. New items for babies are greatly appreciated.



Thank you,  
 Human Concerns Commission

### Saint Vincent DePaul's Food Pantry

For the weekend of Feb. 22nd and 23rd the Food Pantry could use your help filling the shelves with  
**Pork & Beans/1lb. Rice**

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



**A message from your bulletin editor:**

*Who always has a date for Valentine's Day?*

**A Calendar.**