

BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 30, 2025

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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.

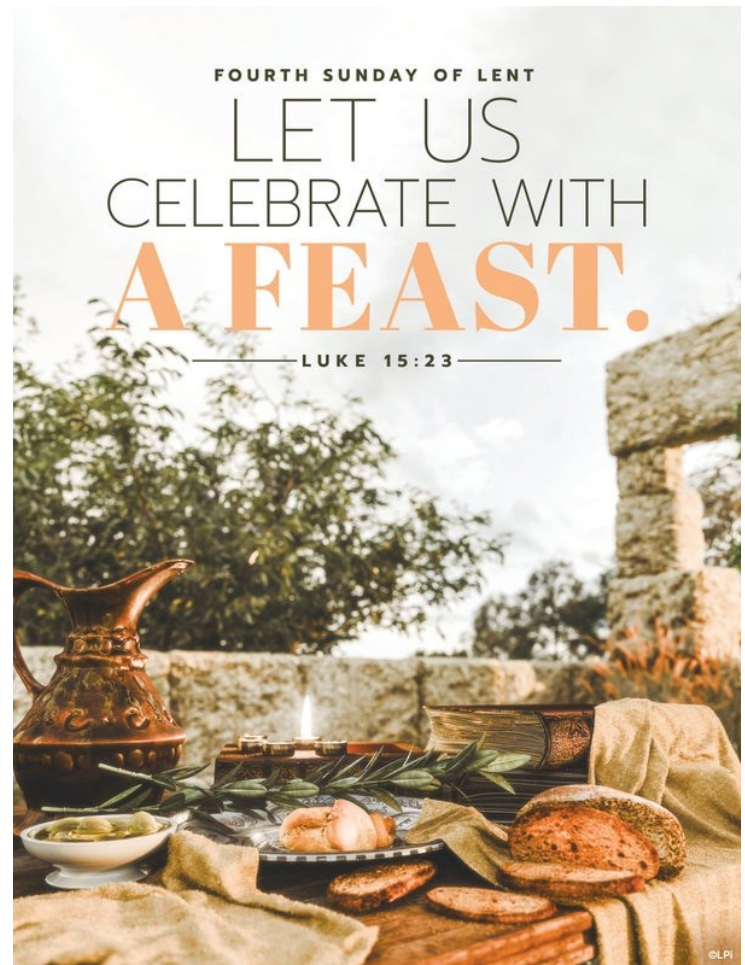
St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.
414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

Pastoral Council Officers:

Kevin Senfleben, Chair
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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, 3/29 Vigil of 4th Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

4:00pm Parishioners

Sunday, 3/30 4th Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

9:00am † Rita Hohensee

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 3/31 -- No Mass

Wednesday 4/2 St. Francis of Paola, Hermit

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

9:00am Parishioners

Saturday, 4/5 Vigil of 5th Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

4:00pm † Mary Ann Gabrich

Sunday, 4/6 5th Sunday of Lent

Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/ Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

9:00am Anniversary Celebration: Ignacio & Elvira Zavala

Rosary at 8:15am

Lenten Season at Blessed Savior

Way of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent at 6:30pm

12 Hours of Reconciliation: Wednesday, April 9th, priests will be available for the sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

For details, visit: <https://www.archmil.org/Pray-Reconcile-Rejoice>



CRS Rice Bowl: Ongoing collection is during Lent. Remember to return your envelope or Rice Bowl box before Easter.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4/12, 4pm Mass with Blessing of Palms

4/13, 9am Mass with Blessing of Palms

Holy Thursday, 4/17, 6pm Mass

Good Friday, 4/18, 6pm Service with Communion

Easter Vigil, 4/19 8pm Mass

Easter Sunday, 4/20, 9am Mass.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

A man looking a bit downtrodden approached me as I filled my car's gas tank. He asked, "May I share with you my testimony about how good God is?" "OK," I skeptically answered. He went on to tell me that he had been an alcoholic and drug addict, and that God had healed him; now he was four years sober. He said, "I didn't deserve it, but now I'm a different person. God is so good! Have a terrific Tuesday!" A few minutes later, as I drove away, I saw him smiling and handing a homeless person some money. I was confronted with a choice: either he was a total fraud or God had changed him. Something had happened to him, and it didn't seem fake. Maybe it was God.

When Jesus heals the man born blind, the man becomes a challenge to everyone who meets him. They must decide. Is he the same blind person who they knew before? Who healed him and how? And what is the status of the one who can heal such infirmities? We shouldn't be surprised at the storm of doubt, hatred and animosity that swirls around the healed man — so it often goes when Jesus heals someone even to this day.

Like we often do, the religious leaders confronting the healed man declare that God is not at work. They ask with mocking superiority and dismissive disdain, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" (John 9:34). And they cast him out. When Jesus clearly works in our lives, in us or around us, we should accept it, and give praise and thanks for this wonderful manifestation of his goodness.

Lenten challenge: Think of one way the Lord has healed you. Perhaps he healed a form of selfishness, a physical ailment, or something else. This week, find a person to whom you can share that testimony, and share it. Don't worry if they don't accept it was God who did it.

—Father John Muir

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REFLECTIONS — EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

So you never have been that serious about a stewardship way of life? It's not that you have been greedy or unloving toward others. You give of yourself when you determine there is a real need. However, you haven't intentionally worked toward surrendering all you are, all you have, and all you do to your God. It's hard because when you compare yourself to others, you seem pretty good. You aren't some prodigal child who needs to return to God because you have lived a life full of sin and selfishness.

Yet, there lies the problem. We can easily feel we aren't so bad, so why change anything? We can lull ourselves into a belief that we will probably get to heaven, therefore why do more? Assurance of salvation is another topic, but basically we can look at our life as a series of transactions with God.

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However, we shouldn't determine our actions based upon what we get. The actions of a loved one are due to the love for one's beloved. Jesus gave his life out of love for us. He has shown us what complete surrender looks like. He does not need our surrender but wants it because that is what those in love do. This Lent, perhaps our prayer should not be to simply be better stewards, but to love Him more. Then our motivation will not be based upon what we should do but on what we are moved to do out of love.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 5 P.M.

MASS: 6 P.M.

Holy Family Catholic Community
271 Fourth St. Way, Fond du Lac, WI

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and forgive our sins, for your name's sake. (Psalm 79:9)

As we gather once again for the annual Mass of Atonement, I invite you to join with me in turning to our loving God in prayer. In our time together, we will not only seek the grace of conversion for our own hearts but ask for renewed spirits to continue the work of healing within the Church on behalf of our sisters and brothers most deeply affected by abuse.

May we actively participate in God's healing action.

- ARCHBISHOP JEFFREY S. GROB



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for the Deaf*

ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE

Zeal for the Lord's House Inaugural Capital Campaign



**Saint Francis de Sales
SEMINARY**

Saint Francis de Sales Seminary and the Wisconsin Bishops invite you to participate in the Zeal for the Lord's House campaign and support the Seminary's cultivation of the Catholic faith in the state of Wisconsin and beyond.

Brochures with a support letter from the Wisconsin Bishops and more information will be available on the round table in the Villard hallway. Visit sfs.edu/Zeal for additional information and to view the Campaign Video.

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, Paul Bina**

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.

SVDP Lenten Food Drive Week 5, April 5th & 6th

The pantry could use your help filling the shelves with Mac & Cheese, Elbow Macaroni (1 lb. size), Noodles, Canned Ham or Spam, Canned Chicken, and Mouthwash (no alcohol).



Thank you for your support!

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

Donate your aluminum can pull tabs.

Police District 4 and their Faith Based Organizations are asking for aluminum can pull tabs.

This will continue during the month of April.

A donor has agreed to match the value of the pull tabs. The proceeds will go to the Ronald McDonald House Programs.

The pull tabs can be placed in a ziplock bag and given to Mike Malloy or Phil Kremsreiter, or placed in the Multi-Cultural Commission mail box in the back of Church.

Thank You



A message from your bulletin editor:

What kind of tea is hard to swallow?

Reality.