## BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 18, 2025

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225 Parish Office/Center (mailing address) 8607 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225 Phone: 414-464-5033 Rev. Romanus N. Nwaru, Pastor Email: frromanus@gmail.com Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm and Sunday, 9am Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel

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**Download our App:** For iPhone Text: ParishApp1 to 555888 For Android Text: ParishApp2 to 555888

**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

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# 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION

REV. DR. ROMANUS N. NWARU

MAY Saturday 24 2025

s at 4:00 PM |Festivities to Follow

Parish Hall

8545 W. VILLARD AVE. MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, USA 53224

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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.

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

 Saturday, 5/17
 Vigil of the 5th Sunday of Easter

 Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31 

 33a, 34-35

 4:00pm

 † Geraldine Davie

 Sunday 5/18
 5th Sunday of Easter

 Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (see 1)/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35
 3a, 34-35

9:00am † François N'Dour Rosary at 8:15 am

Monday, 5/19 Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26 9:00am † David Walden

 Tuesday, 5/20
 School Mass – East Campus

 Acts 14:19-28/Ps
 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

 9:00am
 Intentions of the priest

Wednesday, 5/21 St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8 9:00am Parishioners

#### Saturday, 5/24 Vigil of the 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

4:00pm † Maurice N'Diaye Fr. Romanus 30th Anniversary Celebration

**Sunday 5/25 6th Sunday of Easter** Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

9:00am † Marguerite Goudiaby Rosary at 8:15 am



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Vicar of Jesus Christ

Vicario de Jesucristo

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOG-NIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MO-MENTS

Loving as New Creations

"There's something different about you."

Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it's because, inwardly, you've been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, "As I have loved you, so you should also love one another."

In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn't easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## Saint Vincent DePaul's Food Pantry

With warmer weather approaching, the Food Pantry could use your help filling the shelves with **Peanut Butter & Jelly** 

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

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

I've always found it amazing that Jesus never says to his disciples the straightforward and bumper stickery words "I love you" or "I will always love you" (a la Dolly Parton's song). Why doesn't Jesus say, "I love you"?

Well, actually he does, but in particular ways. He says, "As the Father loves me, so I love you" (John 15:9) thereby rooting his love for us in the space of the Holy Trinity. This week he commands, "Love another as I have loved you" (John 13:34). He presents his love for us as a completed action which continues into the present moment. How has he loved us? By becoming one of us, one with us, and finally giving his life for us in his suffering on the cross. We weren't there when he did that, but neither were his Apostles (except one). Still, that action is his great "I love you" to us.

His love is also hedged in a command: "Love one another." So how can we practically follow it? The great St. John XXIII wrote in his diary that each day he followed this rule: "Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it." The hidden nature of a good deed is a sign that it is truly loving. This week, take on St. John XXIII's practical method of following Jesus' great commandment of love. It's a splendid way to say, "I love you."

— Father John Muir

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## UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

ADULTS & YOUNG ADULTS ARE INVITED TO TOUR WISCONSIN'S ONLY CERTIFIED UNDERGROUND RAILROAD SITE.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 21 | 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Cost: \$40 (Includes travel on school bus, tour, and lunch). Limited partial scholarships available.



Registration required: https://archmil.regfox.com/milton-tour

Registration Deadline: Saturday, May 31

**Questions? Contact:** Shanedra Johnson johnsons@archmil.org or 414-758-2215



A very heartfelt "thank you" to all the generous donors of layette items. Your generosity has truly helped new mothers provide for their babies.

The Rose Sale was a wonderful success. Thank you for purchasing a rose for Mother's Day. The proceeds went to the Wisconsin Right to Life. Their mission and your generosity make a difference.

Thank you and may God richly bless you all.

The Human Concerns Commission

## 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.

## Spring Into Culture – Thank you

On Sat. May 3rd, around 65 Parishioners and guests gathered in the Parish Hall following the 4 PM Mass. Parishioners brought food and desserts. There was enough for everyone. One of the cultures in our Parish is the Parish School. We were entertained by the Gospel Choir from the Blessed Savior East Campus. Our Parish School is a great Parish Ministry for developing the youth in our area.

We thank all the Parishioners from both Masses who came to this event, We also thank the Parishioners who helped with setup and cleanup. We thank the Multi-Cultural Commission, the Human Concerns Committee the Hospitality Committee, and other Parish volunteers who helped make this event happen.

Please consider becoming a member of these groups to help make more events possible.

This was truly a Cultural Awareness, and Parishioner Gathering Success.

## **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.



A message from your bulletin editor: Why couldn't the flower ride its bike? *It lost its petals!*