## BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH PENTECOST SUNDAY

# MAY 19, 2024

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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.

#### 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 an 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: Paul Bina, Chair Steve Alioto, Vice-Chair Mahalia Malone, Secretary

**Parish Trustees:** Curt Kandel, Treasurer Christian Nwonye, Secretary



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Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." - Jn 20:21

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School Website: www.blessedsaviorcatholicschool.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.

#### **BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH**

#### MASS SCHEDULE

 Saturday, 5/18
 Vigil of Pentecost Sunday

 Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b

 -7, 12-13

 4:00pm
 † Grant Breitsprecher

 Sunday, 5/19
 Pentecost Sunday

 Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b

 -7, 12-13

 9:00am
 † Bob Mielke

 Rosary at 8:15 am

Monday, 5/20 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87: 1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn

19:25-34 **† Peter Binh, Anna Thu** 

Tuesday, 5/21 St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions School Mass, South Campus

Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23/Mk 9:30-37

9:00am Intention of the Priest

Wednesday, 5/22 St. Rita of Cascia

Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40 9:00am Parishioners

Saturday, 5/25 - Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 (12b)/ Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20 4:00pm † Christian Goudiaby † Margaret Goudiaby

 Sunday, 5/26
 The Most Holy Trinity

 Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 (12b)/

 Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

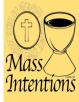
 9:00am

 Thanksgiving, Graduations:

 Beatrice Ephraim Mmekam

 Edward & Felicia Ike's Children

Rosary at 8:15 am



#### 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.

The stipend for Mass remains at \$10.



Fr. Romanus, staff and Blessed Savior parishion □ ers express our sympathy to the family of our recently deceased parishioner, WAYNE RING

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

#### **Sunday Gospel Reflection:**

#### **Dear Parishioners**,

Pentecost is recognized and celebrated as the birthday of the Church. It was remarkable that the Holy Spirit transformed a bunch of petrified disciples into courageous and determined evangelists, ready to die for their faith. The sending of the Holy Spirit was the fulfillment of Jesus' promise not to abandon his disciples. The Holy Spirit has sustained the Church's mission through the centuries, enabling her to navigate treacherous waters.

The Hebrew word for "spirit" is "*ruah*," which can also mean wind, breath or life force. People with asthma understand the importance of breath, which is something we often take for granted. A simple experiment like hold the breath helps us appreciate the need for air. In the second creation account, God's breath gave life to the first human he created.

The celebration of Pentecost, fifty days after the resurrection, goes back to the early fourth century. There was connection between the celebration of Pentecost and the celebration of the Jewish festival of "First Fruits," also known as the "Feast of Weeks," which took place fifty days after the Passover. The separate celebration of Pentecost took place about the same time Ascension became a separate liturgical celebration forty days after the resurrection. This was in accordance with biblical presentations in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 1-2).

Speaking in tongues was one clear evident of the infusion of the Holy Spirit. The inspired and intelligible utterances of the transformed apostles contrasted with the unintelligible babble associated with the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11:1-9. Notwithstanding the fact that people spoke different languages, they understood the apostles' message inspired by the Holy Spirit. This was a major improvement compared to the glossolalia or ecstatic and unintelligible pronouncements of Old Testament prophets. The Holy Spirit enables the breaking down of barriers to human unity and solidarity.

Blessed Savior parish is made up of people from various cultures and ethnic backgrounds. We often speak different languages but recognize English as our common language. The Holy Spirit brings us together as a community of faith and enables us to overcome obstacles created by our different cultures and backgrounds. We are not threatened by our differences, but celebrate them while emphasizing our common faith and Catholic culture. That is why we have Multi-cultural Commission and celebrate multi-cultural events. Those who are threatened by diversity may not be comfortable in our community. For us, Pentecost is also about celebrating the role of the Holy Spirit in bringing us together as one family of faith and the bond of unity we share in Christ.

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#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

We can hardly speak of Pentecost without mentioning the traditional gifts of the Holy Spirit based on Isaiah 11:2. The following are the celebrated gifts or fruits of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety, and the fear of the Lord.

The respected theologian, Hans Kung, once stated that before the Holy Spirit can truly take hold of our lives all contrary spirits must be exorcised (Why I Am Still A Christian). As we celebrate Pentecost, we pray that all contrary spirits in our lives and community will take flight, so that God's Spirit may dwell secure.

Happy birthday, Church!

Fr. Romanus

CONGRATULAT IONS TO **OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RECIPIENTS:** ANGEL, ANTHONY and CATHERINE



**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.



Stations of the Cross, Fridays in Lent, 6:30pm.

Charismatic Adoration after the Stations of the Cross.

Saint Vincent's DePaul's **Food Pantry** 

For the weekend of May 25th and 26th, the Food Pantry could use your help filling the shelves with **Canned Fruit and Canned Chicken** 

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

#### 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:

Judy Adrian, 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., Mark Preston, 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.



You are invited to the Filipino American Pilgrimage Retreat Day with Santacruzan, Flores de Mayo and Recollection Afternoon

**Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary Provincial** House

Saturday, May 25, 2024 W284N698 Cherry Lane Waukesha, WI 53188

10:00 A.M.

(262) 522-4300

**RSVP and Potluck fellowship:** Send text to 414 345-7543 (Filipino Catholic Ministry) No time to cook? \$10 lunch donation toward a catered meal.

### 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:

I don't always go the extra mile, but when I do it's because I missed my exit!