# BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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 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.

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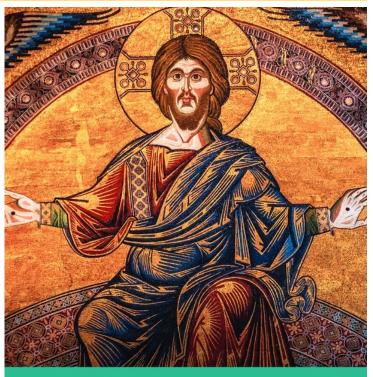
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## **6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you. This I command you:

love one another." - Jn 15:16-17

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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, 5/4 Vigil of 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1

Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

4:00pm † Bibiana Angafor

† Pa-Richard Angafor

Eucharistic Encounter after the 4:00pm Mass

Sunday, 5/5 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98: 1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1

Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

9:00am † David Angafor

Rosary at 8:15 am

Saturday, 5/11—Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-

13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 4:00 pm Parishioner

Sunday, 5/12—The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-

13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

9:00am † Rita Hohensee

First Holy Communion

May Crowning (of Mother Mary)

Rosary at 8:15 am

11:30am Igbo Mass, followed by Mother's Day

celebration in the Parish Hall

### Mark Your Calendars!

May 11 and May 12, Mother's Day Blessings at both Masses.

May 12, 9:00 a.m. First Holy Communion May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin, Mother of God, inside of church after the 9:00 a.m. Mass



**11:30 a.m., Igbo Mass,** followed by Mother's Day event in the parish hall.

May 11 and May 12, Rose Sale \$3.00 each, sponsored by the Human Concerns Commission, proceeds benefit Life Wisconsin Right to Life.

Fr. Romanus, staff and Blessed Savior parishioners express our sympathy to the family of:

### Karla Klaybor,

Sister of Christy Presser, our Music Director. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

We welcome our newest parishioners, **Tasha & Charles Eskridge** and their daughter, **Alisa.**We are delighted to have you and hope you will enjoy being part of our community.

### **Sunday Gospel Reflection:**

Once a man came to the Vatican and asked to see Pope John Paul II, claiming that they had been friends in Poland. When told of the man, the Pope said, "He is mistaken about our friendship. I don't recall ever having suffered with him." As it turned out, the man had never known the Pope. Now, I'm not sure if the story is totally factual. But doesn't the juxtaposition of suffering with friendship sound exactly like JPII? He understood that the deepest and most lasting friendships are forged in the fires of shared suffering. No suffering, no friendship. Amazing.

This week we hear Jesus say to the apostles and to us, "You are my friends if you do what I command you" (John 15:14). In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, God entered the world of human suffering and transformed it into an avenue of friendship with Himself. Following His command — to love, to lay down our lives for others — will always entail suffering. But this suffering only deepens our friendship with Him. His suffering is ours; ours is His. We have become friends of God.

This week, how might you share your suffering with the Risen Jesus? How might he be sharing his suffering with you, in the lives of those around you? Be attentive to that, and you'll find that you are indeed a friend of God, because you've suffered together a great deal.

- Father John Muir

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# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Love one another. The greatest commandment, the simplest commandment — and if you've ever loved anyone, you know it's also the hardest.

I'm man enough to admit it. I've seen one or two of those cheesy Hallmark movies that are especially popular around the holidays. Boy meets Girl. Boy and Girl encounter a catastrophic roadblock to their relationship — they're coaches of rival high school volleyball teams, or he runs a dog kennel and she works at a feline rescue, so it could never, ever work out, right? But sprinkle a little movie magic over the whole situation and Boy and Girl find what Hallmark tells us is true love.

I could make a list of all the things that are inaccurate about these movies, and something I would put right near the top — maybe even above the sometimes-unbelievable storylines — is the idea that love is a feeling.

See, I'm not sure if it's accurate to call these movies love stories. Attraction stories, sure. But if you've ever forgiven someone who's hurt you, nursed a dying parent, gotten up

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for an infant's night feeding or let your kid have the last piece of cake, you know that real love is a verb. It's something you do. And it is almost always a choice.

Love one another. How often do we hear this? How often do we think about what it really means? How often do we take a moment to consider the action Jesus is asking us to take and the choice he is asking us to make?

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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You Are Invited!

FINAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING WITH

### MOST REVEREND JEROME E. LISTECKI

11TH ARCHBISHOP OF MILWAUKEE

Join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving in gratitude to God for the bond between Archbishop Jerome E. Listecki — our shepherd for the past 14 years — and his flock, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Come wish Archbishop Listecki well at a reception following this special Mass at our Mother Church as he prepares for retirement.

**Sunday, June 9, 2024, 11 a.m.**Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist,
Milwaukee

Learn more about Archbishop Listecki's retirement and details about the regional Masses at www.archmil.org/Listecki



### ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE

# The Human Concerns Layette Collection Drive ends this weekend: May 4-5th.

Please, bring new baby diapers, wipes, blankets, etc., to the bassinet in the back of Church. As always, we knew we could rely on Blessed Savior's support for our "Little Ones". And thank you for your continued generosity.

- 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:

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., Wayne Ring,
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.

### Spring Into Culture – Thank you

On Sat., around 100 Parishioners and guests gathered in the Parish Hall following the 4 PM Mass.

The Filipino Catholic Community presented a program of information and dance to highlight their Culture.

Thanks to Isabel Maria Piana for arranging the Filipino Cultural Presentation. We thank the Choir for their music at the Mass and their support at this gathering, parishioners and others who brought food and desserts, and everyone who attended and those who helped as setup and cleanup. There was enough for everyone. We thank the Multi-Cultural Commission and Human Concerns Committee who helped make this event happen. Please consider becoming a member of these groups to help make more events possible.

### Saint Vincent's DePaul's Food Pantry:



For the weekend of May 11 and 12th, the Food Panty could use your help filling the shelves with Canned Vegetables and boxes or packages of Instant Mashed Potatoes.



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

## A message from your bulletin editors:



How did people see in the dark during medieval times?

They used knight lights.