

BLESSED SAVIOR CATHOLIC PARISH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 24, 2024

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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.

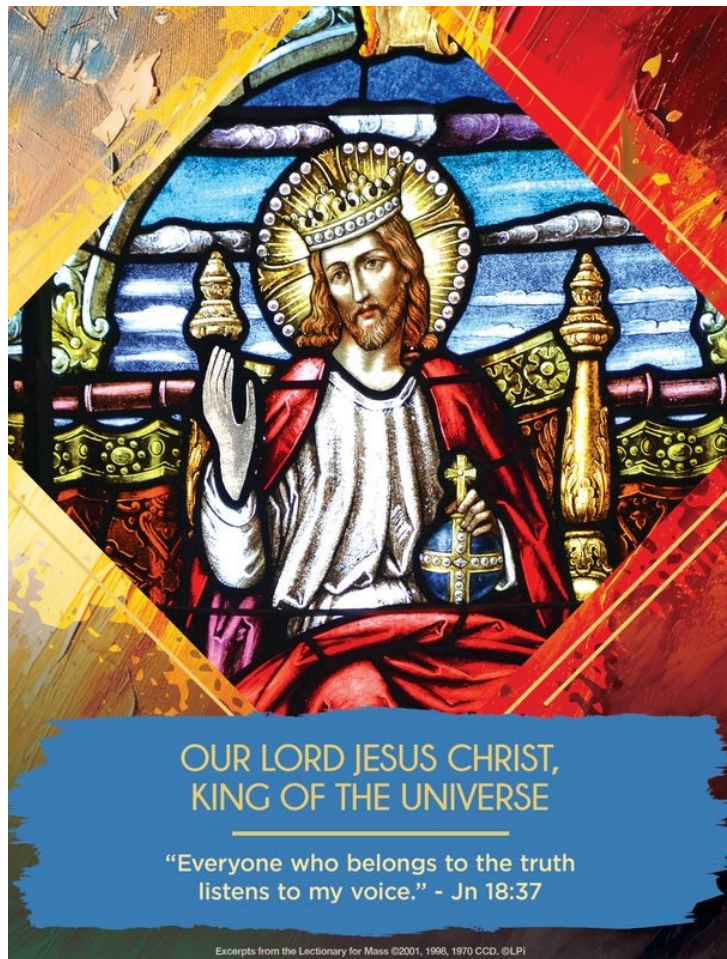
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Mission Statement

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, 11/23 Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

4:00pm † Rose Figa N'dour & Emile Bass

Sunday, 11/24 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

9:00am † Mary Ladi Idakwo

Thanksgiving Birthday: Nonye Obiakor

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 11/25 St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4

9:00am Parishioners

Wednesday, 11/27 Vigil of Thanksgiving

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28

6:00pm † David Walden

Saturday, 11/30 Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

4:00pm † John Pankratz

Anointing of the sick after Mass

Sunday, 12/1 1st Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

9:00am † Emmanuel & Sessi Thompson

Rosary at 8:15am



Update Regarding Fulling the Obligation for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

In accord with the Table of Liturgical Days on December 8, 2024, the Church observes the Second Sunday of Advent. This means the observance of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, 2024, and it **IS** a Holy Day of obligation this year. **All** Masses celebrated on Sunday December 8, 2024, must be for the Second Sunday of Advent. This means there are no vigil Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, December 8, 2024.



Happy Thanksgiving

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Pastor's Sunday Reflection

The Solemnity of Christ the King:

This Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King, a celebration of Jesus' messianic leadership. The celebration is a great way to end the liturgical year and welcome a new liturgical season that begins with the first Sunday of Advent. Pope Pius XI instituted this Solemnity in 1925, in an encyclical entitled *Quas Primas*. In the encyclical, the Pope attributed the denial of the Kingship of Christ to the rise of secularism.

The rise of dictatorship in Europe influenced the institution of the solemnity, coupled with numerous challenges to the Church's power and influence. Originally, the Church celebrated this feast on the last Sunday in October, but later moved it to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time in the revised liturgical calendar of 1969.

Many people in our society see kingship as archaic, undemocratic and suspect, due to the ever-present danger of tyranny. The absence of the kind of checks and balances inherent in a democratic system makes the concept of kingship uncomfortable. When power is concentrated in one individual, there is the danger of dictatorship. Those concerned about the dangers of human kingship should realize that the reign of God is different.

Unlike human royalty, spiced with honor, prestige, extravagance and pomposity, the kingship of Christ is rooted in simplicity and humility. It is ironic that Jesus was crowned a King by the very people who rejected his kingship (Matt. 27:29). In the prelude to his crucifixion, Jesus received a crown not made of gold, diamond and ruby, but of thorns. Likewise, a staff not made of precious metals and stones, but of reed. As king, Jesus is the champion of our fight against evil, and the model of Christian leadership. His earthly reign is the reign of love, justice and peace. The fullness of his reign lies beyond human experience.

The kind of treatment Jesus received in the hands of his own people compelled Pilate to ask, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Assuming he must have done something horrific, Pilate inquired further, "What have you done?" He wondered what could have led to the loss of his kingly status. Obviously, Jesus did nothing to deserve the treatment he received. Ironically, his claim as the Messiah/King was the primary reason for his prosecution.

To allay Pilates' concern about the loss of dignity and honor deserved by a king, Jesus states that his kingship is not here.

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If his kingship were here, his soldiers would fight to prevent his public humiliation and ridicule. The question is - Do we treat Jesus with the dignity and respect he deserves? Do we respect his presence in the Holy Eucharist? How does receiving communion while shewing gum show him respect and honor? How does engaging in any kind of conversation with communion in your mouth show respect and honor?

Daniel's vision in our first reading underscores the heavenly kingship of Christ. Those who fail to acknowledge him on earth will swallow their pride when they appear before his judgment throne. Like an undercover boss, Jesus is present to us concealed in many forms - in the Eucharist, in the Word proclaimed, in the poor and the suffering, and so on. Through faith, we are able to witness his earthly revelations knowing that the fullness of his revelation will be at the end of time.

Given that the feast of Christ the King is also the feast day of our parish, I wish all our parishioners a happy feast day.

Have a great week.

Fr. Romanus

2025 Mass Intentions

The 2025 calendar is now open for Mass Intentions. If you wish to have Mass offered for a loved one, stop by the Parish Office or call 414-464-5033.

Reminder that the stipend for Mass intentions is \$20 per Mass. Please, do not pack several intentions into one Mass.

The giving tree will be in the back of church beginning **Nov 23rd and ends Dec 8th**. We hope this gives everyone a chance to select their tags before the Black Friday shopping begins.

Thank you in advance for your generosity

The Human Concerns Commission



Saint Vincent DePaul's Food Pantry

For the weekend of **Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st**, the Food Pantry could use your help filling the shelves with **Hamburger Helper/Pork & Beans**

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

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,
Jeanne Rossner, Thomas Schmid,
Sharon Tym, Dale Verbanec,
Mary Frances Williams, Christine Lindstrum, Richard Piana,
Lucia Rivera**

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.



SISTERS OF LIFE

Visit to the ARCHDIOCESE of MILWAUKEE

The Sisters of Life, a religious order devoted to the Pro-Life Movement, will be speaking across the Archdiocese of Milwaukee about their mission to promote a culture of life in America, and how you can help!

7:00 p.m. — Introduction to the Mission

7:30 p.m. — Adoration with Music

8:00 p.m. — Meet & Greet

Locations

Thursday, December 5

St. Francis de Sales Parish
148 W. Main St.
Lake Geneva, WI 53147

Friday, December 6

St. Jerome Parish
995 S. Silver Lake St.
Oconomowoc, WI 53066

Saturday, December 7

Church of the Immaculate Conception
1023 E. Russell Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53207

Sunday, December 8

St. John Vianney Catholic Church
1755 N. Calhoun Rd.
Brookfield, WI 53005



A message from your bulletin editor:

Who is not hungry at Thanksgiving?

The turkey because he's already stuffed!