

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

April 24, 2022

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site
8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225
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Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel

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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 - Suspended for now.
Individual - Call the parish office.

Baptisms: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Confessions: Call the parish office.

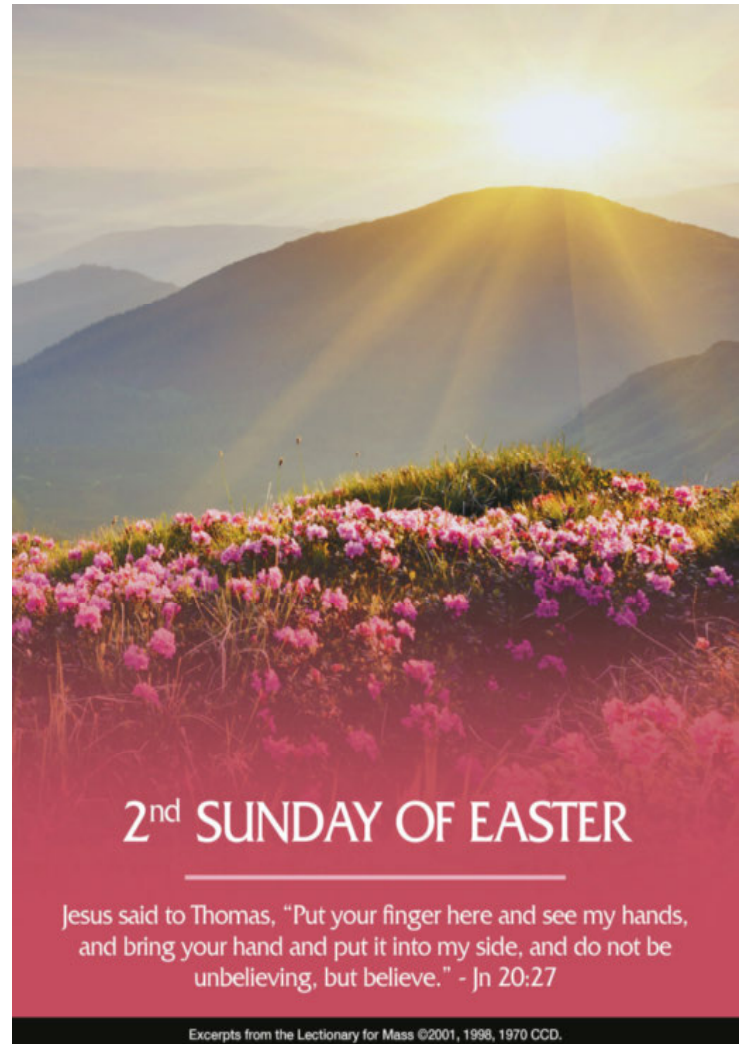
Communal Penance: Call the parish office.

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:	Parish Trustees:
Yolanda Coly, Chair	Julia Atkinson, Treasurer
Simon Biagui, Vice-Chair	Mark Kuchta, Secretary
Denise Wesserle, Secretary	



School Website: www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org

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414-464-5775
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Erin O'Donnell, 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, 4/23 - Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

*Acts 5:12-16 / Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1] / Rv 1:9-11a,
12-13, 17-19 / Jn 20:19-31*

4:00pm † Anne Simone

Sunday, 4/24 - 2nd Sunday of Easter
(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

*Acts 5:12-16 / Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1] / Rv 1:9-11a,
12-13, 17-19 / Jn 20:19-31*

9:00am † Dorothy and George Spielman
Baptism

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 4/25 - St. Mark, Evangelist

1 Pt 5:5b-14 / Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / Mk 16:15-20

9:00am Parishioners, both living and deceased

Tuesday, 4/26 - Easter Weekday

Acts 4:32-37 / Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 / Jn 3:7b-15

9:00am East Campus Mass
Intention of the Priest

Wednesday, 4/27 - Easter Weekday

Acts 5:17-26 / Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Jn 3:16-21

9:00am † Faustino G. and Eliza V. Piana

Saturday, 4/30 - Vigil of the 3rd Sunday of Easter

*Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 / Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a] /
Rv 5:11-14 / Jn 21:1-19 OR 21:1-14*

4:00pm † Francis and Helen Brunner
† Jessica Matuszak

Sunday, 5/1 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

*Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 / Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a] /
Rv 5:11-14 / Jn 21:1-19 OR 21:1-14*

9:00am † Pete Camden

Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is Tuesday,
April 26, 9:00am at the East Campus.
Enter through the front center door of the
church. Parishioners are welcome.



Gospel Meditation

Even Thomas struggles to remove his boulder! Being very pragmatic and determined, he wants to see the risen Christ for himself! Thomas's boulder is heavy with mistrust. Many of ours are too. A certain amount of skepticism is good, as it can save us from being duped or misled. But we can become so skeptical of things that it erodes our ability to trust anything we see or hear. Skepticism can actually be a well-disguised defense mechanism that we use to prevent us from being hurt or perceived as a fool. Having too much ego protection is a real risk. Thomas, because of the boulder blocking his vision, could not even trust the word of his friends.

Boulders are hard to move. It's difficult to seek change or take a risk, especially when we are so afraid to be vulnerable or reluctant to trust another's word. When we are closed minded, overly pragmatic, unwilling to see things in a different way, stubborn or defensive, it is difficult to be surprised by God and stretched. We need to be less guarded, self-assured, and self-absorbed. God cannot break into the ordinary moments of our lives and inspire us when we cling to doubt. If we are going to discover resurrection faith, we have to believe that what the witnesses say is true, especially when they are credible. We also have to trust that the risen Christ is alive in us, too!

While the first witnesses to the resurrection have faded into history, there are many others who have come after them. They continue to inspire by walking the talk of faith. They are the martyrs who offer their lives for the Gospel, the simple holy people in our communities who cling so steadfastly to their faith, those who have touched despair and found new hope and the ones who, even in spite of ridicule, still pursue their hunger and thirst for God. They are our friends, acquaintances, biblical heroes, and saints, and many others who are convinced that they have seen the Lord! The risen Christ may not surprise us with the same kind of visit as he did the first disciples, but God finds other ways. All we have to do is open our eyes, remove whatever is preventing us from seeing and believing and exclaim: "My Lord and my God!"

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Dear parishioners,

Deacon Ordination Announcement:

In accordance with the provision of Canon law, c.1051, 2E, I wish to inform you that our parish member, Kenneth Chidozie Anyanwu, was ordained to the order of Diaconate on April 23, 2022 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Please, keep Kenneth and his classmates in your prayers as they prepare for this big commitment to ministry in the Milwaukee Archdiocese as transitional deacons.

Fr. Romanus



**Congratulations Sandrine B. on your
Confirmation**

Sunday, April 24, 2022 at St. Joseph Parish

*May the Holy Spirit continue to bless you
with the gift of faith and guide your lifelong
journey with God.*

*May God grant Sandrine the gifts of Wisdom,
Understanding, Counsel, Courage, Knowledge, Piety,
Wonder and Awe.*

- Fr. Romanus and parishioners of Blessed Savior

Dear Parishioners,

PARISH TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS:

Following the non-renewal/resignation of our trustees, Julia Atkinson (Trustee Treasurer) and Mark Kuchta (Trustee Secretary) who have served 15 years and 9 years respectively, I have made the following nominations: Curt Kandel to serve as Trustee Treasurer and Chris Nwonye to serve as Trustee Secretary. Curt and Chris are both long-term members of the parish.

Curt Kandel was a member of the Transition Team that helped to implement the parish transition when Blessed Savior parish was formed, and is a member of the parish choir and a Communion minister. He has a bachelor's degree in Public Accounting from UW-Whitewater. He has worked in Public Accounting for several years before starting his own company, Kandel Properties.

Chris Nwonye is a member of the parish Finance Council and serves as a lector and Communion minister. He also served as member of the pastoral councils both at Our Lady of Sorrows and at Blessed Savior. He graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering from Marquette University. He retired from the Milwaukee Metro Sewage district about six years ago and spends some time working on his side businesses. He is president of a number of community organizations including former president of The Nigerian Community in Milwaukee and current president of Ndigbo in Wisconsin.

The nomination process is now open. The guidelines stipulate that any additional nominations must be made in writing supported by 10 or more parish members. If there are other nominations, an election will be held. The winner becomes a trustee only if approved by the Archbishop. If there are no other nominations, Curt and Chris will become the new parish trustees.

A trustee candidate must be Catholic, registered, practicing member and at least 25 years old. Trustees serve a two-year renewable term with a reasonable limit of no more than six years. Trustees are members of the Parish Corporation Board of Directors and ex-official members of the parish pastoral council.

Thanks to Julia and Mark for their years of service to the parish as trustees.

Fr. Romanus



The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is very grateful for all the food donations received during the Lenten season. Your donations went a long way in helping feed those who came to us for help.

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

SVDP Ministry

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday, 10:30am to 2:30pm in the Chapel. Use the east church door entrance. Sign up for a time slot with Gisele Goudiaby Ndour at 414-628-7373.



Charismatic Adoration followed by Charismatic Prayer: Every Friday, 6:30pm in the Chapel. Use the west church door entrance.

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, Isabel Atkinson, Jackie Ballering, Bernetta, Stanley Bruskiwicz, Dennis Claas, Rhey Clemente, Anna Emmerich, Catherine Felber, Robin Flynn, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Rita Hohensee, Mike Hubbard, Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Mike Malloy, Barb Moroder, Ginny Naegele, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Joseph Valent, Andreas Wesslerle, Mary Frances Williams

Lord Jesus, You 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.

Pope Francis Wants Your Opinion!

Over the coming months, Catholics from around the world will be participating in a worldwide Synod, or consultation process. Lend your voice to the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's response to Pope Francis' Synod on Synodality! What would you like the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, and Pope Francis to know?



Visit <https://www.archmil.org/About-us/Synod/Synodality.htm>, or <https://tinyurl.com/5n6z4547> and share your thoughts.



Safe Environment

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee recognizes April 24-April 30 as Safe Environment Awareness Week. Each year in the month of April, which is recognized around the country as child abuse prevention month, we dedicate a week to elevating the general awareness of the Church's efforts to keep our children safe. We want people to know that we are committed to maintaining safe environments in our parishes and schools through adult child abuse prevention training; criminal background checks for all clergy, volunteers working with minors, and employees; safety training for children in each grade level; and adhering to all mandatory reporting requirement laws.



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