Blessed Savior Catholic Parish 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Anthony Hugh Burns Rite of Christian Initiation Baptism First Communion Confirmation





Avery Matthew Rosa Rite of Christian Initiation First Communion Confirmation





25th Wedding Anniversary Sunday, August 16, 2020, 9am Mass Edward & Felicia Ike









August 23, 2020

STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

 SATURDAY, 8/22 - VIGIL OF 21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

 Is 22:19-23/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

 4:00pm
 † Norbert & Dolores Kulasiewicz

 SUNDAY, 8/23
 21st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

 Is 22:19-23/Rom
 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

 9:00am
 † Alex Konrad

MONDAY, 8/24 ST. BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE *Rv* 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51 9:00am † Christianne Koss

WEDNESDAY, 8/26 - WEEKDAY

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 [1]/Mt 23:27-32 9:00am † Monique Diatta † Helene Diatta † Anna Diatta † Joachim Dasylva

SATURDAY, 8/29 - VIGIL OF 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMEJer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-274:00pm† Jessica Matuszak

SUNDAY, 8/30 - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jer 20:7-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27 9:00am † Faustino G. Piana † Eliza V. Piana

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



<u>Marlene Rodenkirch</u>, mother and mother—in-law of parishioners Mike & Angie Rodenkirch

<u>Sammie Whitlow,</u> Parishioner

May they find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in heaven. May God comfort those who mourn them, and all who suffer the loss of a loved one. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen



The Parish Office is now open. <u>Social distancing and face coverings</u> <u>are required</u>. 8am – 4pm, Monday through

Thursday. Closed on Friday. **Meetings and gatherings in the** parish center are still suspended.

Welcome Back to School Virtual learning for all grades begins on August 31st.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

The only way to know God is to love God. Our minds will never fully grasp the mystery of God, but our hearts and souls can learn to love the mystery. Years ago, when life had a more innocent quality to it, we believed what we were told or witnessed, unless there was direct evidence otherwise. This was especially true if the information came from someone in authority. In a sense, we were a bit more gullible on one hand but also more trusting on the other. The latter is an admirable quality that sadly can be eroded when we realize we have been duped. With education and technological advances, we find ourselves more skeptical and less likely to too quickly accept and believe what we see and hear.

For all of the good that social media can do, it can also easily distort reality and truth. Photoshop and a myriad other technological truths can add to, fabricate, and make even the nonexistent seem real. It is amazing. How far do we allow this obviously justifiable skepticism to take us? Questioning and doubting are healthy elements of any good relationship as long as we don't allow them to turn us away from a deeper experience of love and encounter. If we cannot get our minds around something or empirically justify or prove it, we tend to declare it a hoax, untrue, or unauthentic and walk away. The very same trust that can quickly be eroded is exactly what is essential for all of our relationships, especially our relationship with God. With all things and people that make a profound claim on us, we have to trust in the absence of knowledge. Full self-investment involves plunging completely into the unknown!

Simon Peter said to Jesus, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Peter came to this knowledge, which is not "head knowledge" because of the relationship he shared with Jesus and what God was able to reveal in and through that relationship. Peter simply "knew" because of love that this is who Jesus really is. The silent exchange of love between friends, and not an intellectual exercise of the mind, brought Peter to this place. When we stop and think about it, there are many things in life that we simply know but do not completely understand. When someone sacrifices their own well-being for another, it may not make intellectual sense when examined. But it makes a world of sense when it is carried out. The vastness of reality and an encounter with incomprehensible mystery all lead us to profound silence where we simply know something to be true. Have you trusted enough to allow your relationship with God to bring you to this place or are you still too skeptical? Liturgical Publications

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

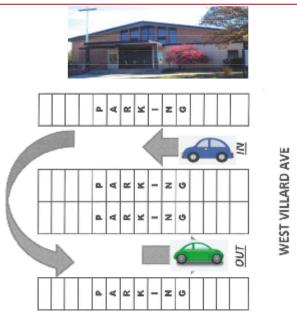
What does it mean to be a good steward? Does it mean to be an active parishioner, or something more? Are we better stewards because we give more in terms of our money and time to our parish, or are we called to do even more than that?

The truth is that stewardship is a way of life. We are not simply called to be active parishioners, but instead be active disciples all the time. In fact, what we learn to do in our parish should serve as preparation for the mission field of the world. What have we really done if we only act like disciples of Jesus Christ while we are assembled with others who claim to be the same?

The choice before us is to give of ourselves in all aspects of our day and life. The call of Jesus will come in our everyday lives with our co-workers, family, and friends more often than it will within our parish community. First, if we can't become good stewards when we are among those who proclaim Jesus as Lord, how will we be able to do so when we are with those who are non-believers? Second, when our muscles of gratitude, generosity, and graciousness are strengthened within our parish community, we are more able to meet the challenges of this world. However, we do not become good stewards by accident. We must always choose to live this way. What will you choose? -Tracy Earl Welliver

PLEASE FOLLOW PARKING LOT RULES

"One way in, one way out" Please follow the arrows before we have somebody injured. And, pedestrians please watch for the cars also.





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: Chad, Amber Anderson, Jackie Ballering, Kathleen Brunner, Stanley Bruskiewicz, Anna Emmerich, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry,

Mike Hubbard, Mary Ann Janke, Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Ginny & Donald Naegele,

Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss, Sharon Tym, 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 prayer list with their permission, please call the parish office @ 414-464-5033. The names will also be given to the Prayer Circle. If you wish to remove anyone, please call the parish office.

Please remember to pray for all the intentions in the book of "Joys and Concerns" and all those who wrote them.



Blessed Savior Pantry is open during the crisis, we continue to help families with appliances, beds or furniture. This help is possible because of your donations. Thank You.

Parish Staff:

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St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.

414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8-10am Pastoral Council Officers: Parish Trustees:

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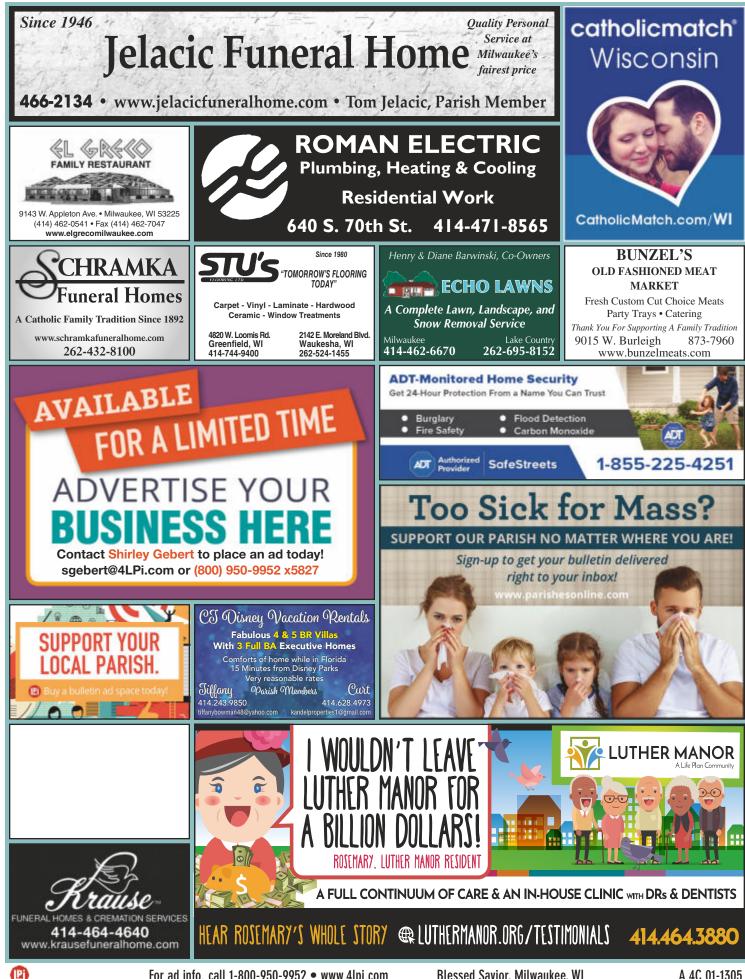


21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be - Mt 16:19



A message from your bulletin editor: We don't stop laughing because we grow old, we grow old because we stop laughing.



Blessed Savior, Milwaukee, WI