

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25, 2019



Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site: 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI. 53225

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Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM, SUNDAY 9AM Weekdays: Mon., Tues., Wed. 9am in the Chapel

### Parish Staff:

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**Sacraments:** Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

**Anointing of the Sick (Communal - Monthly)**

**Individual:** Any time and also by appointment.

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office to set up an appointment.

### Confessions:

3rd Saturday in church, 3:15pm and by appointment

**Communal:** Seasonal as announced

**Funerals:** Please call the Parish Office in the event of the death of a love one.

**Weddings:** Arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance by calling 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 to have someone bring them Communion or visit.

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.**  
414-464-3817—Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8-10am

### Pastoral Council Officer: Parish Trustees:

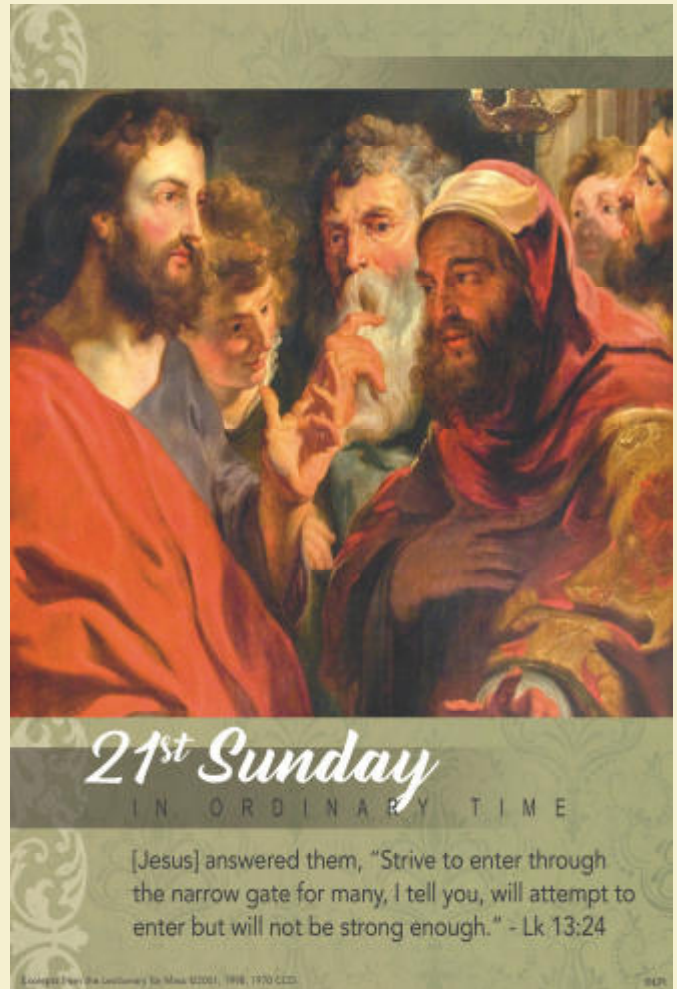
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### Mission Statement

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish, a welcoming open community of diverse disciples of Christ, affirms a way of life through prayer, service, and sharing.

## STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER

## SATURDAY, 8/24 - VIGIL OF 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

† Clara &amp; Robert Retzlaff

Rosary at 3:15pm

## SUNDAY, 8/25 - 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

9:00am † Robert Leack

Rosary at 8:15am

Anointing of the sick after Mass in the Chapel

## MONDAY, 8/26 WEEKDAY

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

9:00am Parishioners

## TUESDAY, 8/27 - ST. MONICA

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6 [1]/Mt 23:23-26

9:00am † All Souls

WEDNESDAY, 8/28 - ST. AUGUSTINE, BISHOP &  
DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

9:00am † John &amp; Lois Van Derven

## SATURDAY, 8/31 - VIGIL OF 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

4:00pm † Jane Ziem

Rosary at 3:15pm

## SUNDAY, 9/1 - 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14

9:00am Special Intention of Ervin &amp; Nga Ly Bonds

Rosary at 8:15am



In the hope of resurrection, we commend to  
the Lord the soul of  
Charles Janke

husband of Mary Ann, parishioner.

*May God grant him light, refreshment and  
peace in the Kingdom. May God comfort  
those who mourn him, and all who suffer the loss of a  
loved one. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful  
departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.  
Amen*



*"I was a stranger and you  
welcomed me" (Matt. 25:35)*

*Blessed Savior Parish extends a  
warm welcome to*

*Paige McKnight & Robert Lozano  
Sebastian and Adan*

*We care about you and your family and we're  
here to help in any way we can.*

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Have you ever seen a celebrity? Have you ever met a political representative? Did the encounter leave you with newfound acting or musical abilities? Did it give you a grasp of the intricacies of the latest city ordinance or controversial law? Talents, expertise, and skill are hard-won traits, not rewards that spread by contact. Our life of faith is also not so easy.

"We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets!" In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus notes that it requires moral strength to enter the kingdom of God. It's not mere proximity to righteousness that saves. Rubbing elbows with the righteous is not the same as being truly holy ourselves.

Unfortunately, we can have this attitude in many areas. It's easy to see who may seem "first" in the eyes of the world. This occurs in our workplaces and among our public figures. It can also happen in our schools, local parishes, and the larger Church. For some of us, the temptation to have the popularity and prestige rub off on us can be fairly strong. If only we are in the right place with the right people, surely others will associate us with what they possess!

But salvation is worked out in each individual life. It is our task not merely to show up, but to be transformed. And the truly transformed may not be everyone we expect. "People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south... some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." Some who seem first in reputation now may be last in the kingdom of God. Others who appear now on the furthest fringes of society - but better imitate the lowly holiness of Jesus - will be first in his kingdom. What are your concerns? Proximity and reputation? Or prayerful righteousness? *Liturgical Publications*

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

When I speak and write, I mention my family quite often. Those of you who have been reading these reflections for the past 5+ years - or who have read my books - may think you know them. When I travel, I do get asked about my family by those who have entered my life through the words on a page. My hope is that by sharing stories about my family and life the reader gets a chance to see himself or herself in the story as well. Then the point being made in the article or reflection can take on stronger meaning because it hits home. However, no matter how much I write about my family and how much you read about them, you will only have a glimpse as to the real people. It will take an actual relationship with one of them to get you to the point where you can say you know them.

That is the same way with Jesus. First, more Catholics need to read more and learn more about Jesus. Bible studies should be the norm and not the exception in our lives. Second, too many of us in the Church can explain who Jesus is from our past formation classes and reading, but we do not actually know him. Jesus is not a topic, a theological term, or simply a historical figure. He is a real being who is alive! He is not dead, but alive! He calls us to do more than read about him. He calls us into an intimate relationship with him. We grow in relationship with Jesus by worshipping at the Mass, spending time with him in adoration, resting in him in the quiet, and by having the Jesus in us meet the Jesus in others. If you do not know him personally, get to know him. I would love for you all to meet my family in person someday, but I would much rather you get to know Jesus instead.

*Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*



**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS!!!**  
You have mail.  
New schedules will be in your mailbox  
On August 31 & September 1



**PHOTO DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

Because of your response we have almost filled the spaces for our September photography days. We are working with LifeTouch to add two more days in October. One of the benefits to a photo directory is knowing who your parish community is and being able to add names to the faces you see. The directory will contain your picture and a roster of our members.

If you do not want your address, phone or e-mail listed, you may opt-out by contacting the Parish office at (414) 464-5033.

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL PANTRY FOOD DRIVE....**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER WE COULD USE YOUR HELP IN FILLING OUR SHELVES FOR THE WEEKENDS OF**  
**August 31 & September 1**  
**September 7 & 8**  
**WE CAN USE CANNED TUNA**



*Thank you all for helping to fill our shelves this summer. Fall will soon be upon us and right after that the winter winds will blow. St Vincent de Paul is always thankful for whatever items you can give, the shelves always have extra room. God bless all of you.*



**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, AUGUST 26**  
Dear God, Thank you for looking after our school. Thank you for loving each and everyone of us here. Help us to learn, play and share together, so that the wonderful world you have made becomes more beautiful everyday. Amen

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bulletin Announcements are due in the Parish Office by NOON Mondays. Please keep them brief and to the point. We reserve the right to edit/condense as space permits. You may email to: [blessedsavior@archmil.org](mailto:blessedsavior@archmil.org)



**Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord!**

As fall is fast approaching, have you considered sharing your musical talents with your Blessed Savior Parish? We are always in need of more music ministers including handbell ringers, cantors, choir members and instrumentalists. The first choir rehearsal will be **Thursday, September 5, at 6:30pm**, in the church! If you are interested or have questions, please contact our Music Director, Christy Presser, at 464-5033, ext. 15, or meet with her after Mass.



**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: Jackie Ballering, Stanley Bruskwicz, Diane Henry, Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Carol Runningen, Anton Schleiss, Joe & Joan Trinkl, Rusty 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 name will remain on the list for 4 weeks and then go to the prayer circle. If you wish to have it on longer, please call the parish office.

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



**A "TALK ABOUT" THANK YOU.**

Thank you to all who attended and offered your suggestions for future **TALK ABOUT** sessions during our brainstorming this past weekend. With your help and ideas the program will improve and continue to grow.

*Deb Wuerl, Human Concerns Commission*



**LET'S JOIN TOGETHER TO FEED THE HUNGRY!**

This walk for the hungry is to benefit the 2 meal sites of the SVDP Milwaukee Meal Program.

**When:** Saturday, Sept. 28, **Check In:** 8am-8:30am: walk begins at 9am, **Where:** St. Alphonsus Church & Scout Lake Park, 6060 W. Loomis Rd, **Cost:** \$25 adult/\$10 child ages 5-17, Pre-register @ <http://svdpmilw.org>

For more information, contact the Walk Coordinator at [mwelz@svdpmilw.org](mailto:mwelz@svdpmilw.org) or 414-462-7837 X109

**PRO-LIFE PICNIC IN THE PARK**—Sept 15, 2:30-6pm, Hawthorn Glen Park 1130 N. 60. Join them for a family friendly potluck picnic.

Information [www.facebook.com/BrewCityRightToLife](http://www.facebook.com/BrewCityRightToLife) or email [BrewCityRTL@gmail.com](mailto:BrewCityRTL@gmail.com)

**New Horizons Weekend of Healing for Separated/Divorced**

Friday-Sunday, Sept. 27-29, Schoenstatt Retreat Center, Waukesha Registration deadline, Wednesday, Sept. 18. 414-758-2215 or <http://www.johnpaul2center.org/Nazareth> - -Project/Separated-and-Divorced.htm

**STARVING ARTISTS' SHOW**—Sunday, Sept. 9, 10am-5pm, Mount Mary University Campus, 2900 N. Menomonee River Pkwy. \$10 admission/children under 12 free, Free Parking



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