Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

3rd Sunday of Advent

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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

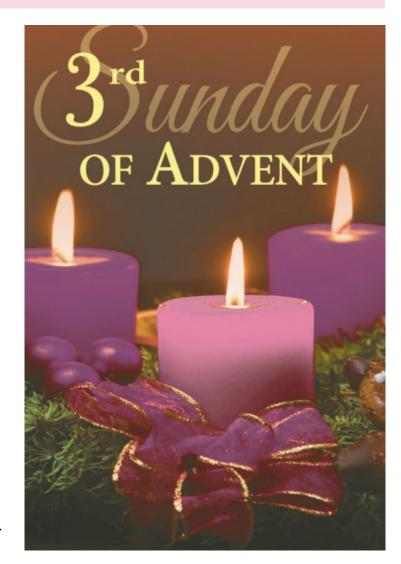
Pastoral Council Officers: Parish Trustees:

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December 11, 2022

Rev. Romanus N. Nwaru, Pastor Email: frromanus@gmail.com Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm and Sunday, 9am Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel



School Website: www.blessedsaviorcatholicschool.org

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Mission Statement



East Campus

414-438-2745

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

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MASS SCHEDULE

 Saturday, 12/10 - Vigil of the 3rd Sunday of Advent

 Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 / Jas 5:7-10 /

 Mt 11:2-11

 4:00pm
 † Don and Ginny Naegele

Sunday, 12/11 - 3rd Sunday of Advent Is 35:1-6a, 10 / Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11 9:00am † Rosemary Baranek Rosary at 8:15am

 Monday, 12/12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

 Zec 2:14-17 OR Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab /

 Ps Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 / Lk 1:26-38 OR Lk 1:39-47

 9:00am
 † All Souls

 Tuesday, 12/13 - St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

 Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23 /

 Mt 21:28-32

 9:00am

 South Campus Mass

 Intention of the Priest

Wednesday, 12/14 - St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25 / Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14 / Lk 7:18b-23

9:00am † Anne and James Emmerich

Saturday, 12/17 - Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Advent *Is 7:10-14 / Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b] / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24* 4:00pm † Bernard and Ruby Modeste

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Sunday, 12/18 - 4th Sunday of Advent Is 7:10-14 / Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b] / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24 9:00am † Bob and Terry Leack Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is Tuesday, December 13, 9:00am at the South Campus. Enter through the south side door of the church.







Blessed Savior Advent Reconciliation Wednesday, December 14, 2022 6pm

Gospel Meditation

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

"Be strong, fear not!" Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life's roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life's unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God's merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God's child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist's message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life's distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?

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Our Christmas Mass schedule for this year will include a 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve and a 9:00am Mass on Christmas Day. Please note, there will not be a 10:00pm Christmas Eve Mass.

There will be a 20-minute Concert of Carols before each of the two Masses with the Handbell & Adult Choir. All are invited to celebrate the birth of our Blessed Savior!

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

My Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you for supporting me these past seven years. You have shown me love beyond what words can express. I thank you for letting me know about you and for allowing me to be a part of this great



community. I cherished every moment we shared together. We have become a family now and family shows up for each other. You have shown up for me and so will others show up for you when you need them to be there. I will forever be grateful to you.

Thank you for your material and financial support. It means a lot to me and all the people that will benefit from your generosity. Thank you for putting smiles on the faces of the children. May the Lord continue to bless you and provide for you according to his riches in glory. You will always be in my thoughts and prayers. I love you all and will miss you a great deal. I will keep in touch with you. If you would like to keep in touch with me, please call Eileen at the parish office for my contact information.

Love and prayers, Sr. Comfort Anum, SSND

Adopt-a-Bill

The Finance Council has set up an "Adopt a Bill" Giving Tree in the back of church. Your donations will help with heating, snow removal and liturgical supply costs. Please take an ornament from the tree with the



suggested donation for that budgeted item. Return the ornament and your donation in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your generous support to Blessed Savior.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry **Empty Shelf for the Holidays**

For the weekend of December 17 & 18, the pantry could use your help in filling the shelves with canned soup, crackers and oatmeal. Thank you for your generosity.



Looking Ahead...

• Announcements for the 12/25 bulletin are due by noon on Wednesday, 12/14

- Announcements for the 1/1 bulletin are due by noon on Friday, 12/23
- December 14 Advent Reconciliation, 6:00pm
- December 19 Simbang Gabi, 6:30pm Mass

Tax Reminder

According to IRS regulations, all contributions must be received by December 31 to be considered donations in the 2022 calendar year.

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, Kathleen Brunner, David Cheever, Rhey Clemente, Catherine Felber, Katie Flynn, Robin Flynn, Gayle Hanus, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Rita Hohensee, Mike Hubbard, Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Edward Richard John Kurhajetz, Ellen Malloy, Barb Moroder, Bob Oettinger, Jr., Joe Ratke, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Judith Scheible, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Eleonore Ulik, 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.

Blessed Savior Catholic School

We are asking for prayers and your JR Our Thought help. Nyeshia Liggins, a mother of 4 f3 girls that attend Blessed Savior East Campus, was tragically killed



Sunday morning (12/4/22). A Go Fund Me pages has been set up to help with funeral costs. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. Let us please keep the Liggins family in our prayers.

Erin O'Donnell, East Campus Principal

Link to the GoFundMe: https://www.gofundme.com/f/shanell-oliver?

Fr. Romanus, staff and Blessed Savior parishioners express our sympathy to family of Nyeshia Liggins.

May you find comfort in God's embrace.

St. Bernadette Fish Fry

Friday, December 16, 4:30-7pm. Individual and family bucket dinners. Eat in or take out. Call 414-358-4600 or go to www.stbweb.com. We are handicap accessible.



A message from your bulletin editor:

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