

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2020

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

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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.

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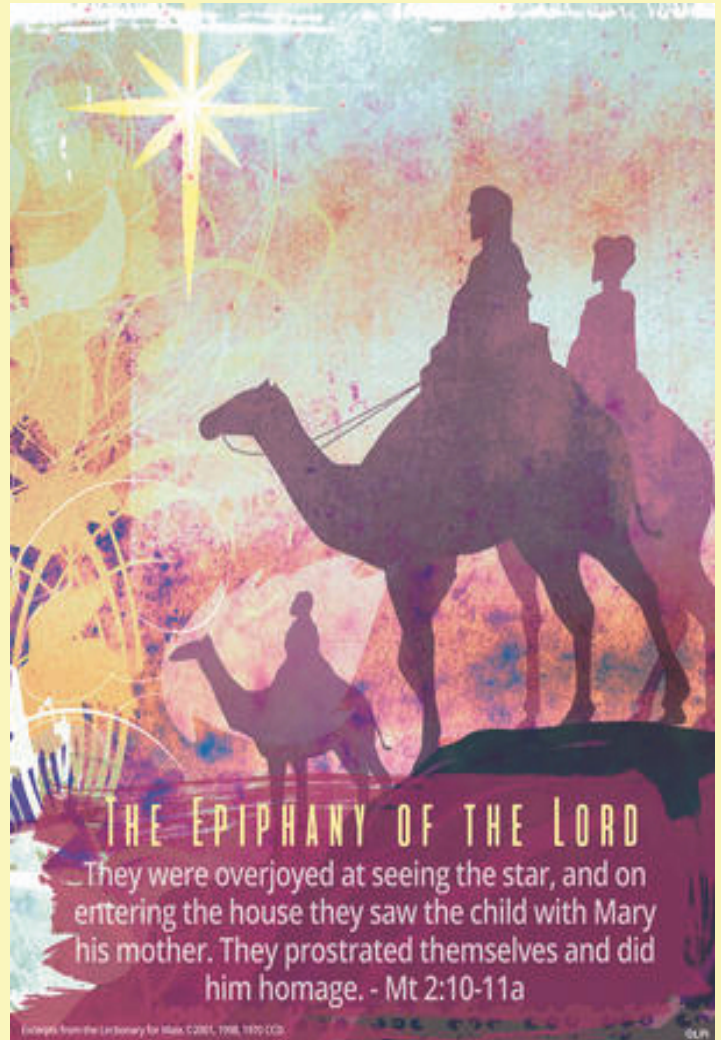
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Mission Statement

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, 1/4/20 - VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

4:00pm † Mary Posnanski

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 1/5/20 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

9:00am † Marge Wesling

Rosary at 8:15am

SATURDAY, 1/11/20 - VIGIL OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

4:00pm † Florence Haase

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 1/12/20 - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

9:00am † Richard Presser

Rosary at 8:15am

**NO CHAPEL MASS JANUARY 6, 7, 8 AND
NO SCHOOL MASS JANUARY 9.**

Readings for the week of January 6-10, 2020

Monday, 1/6/20

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, 1/7/20

1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, 1/8/20

1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, 1/9/20

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, 1/10/20

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16

**THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR
JANUARY 2020**

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

**Remember Blessed Savior Parish**

After your loved one's funeral Mass at Blessed Savior Parish, many people offer money for the wishes of the family, church memorials or Mass intentions. Money given as a memorial is used for church ministry and we are always grateful for that gift. Money given for a Mass intention(s) is a beautiful way to remember the goodness and generosity of those who have died. An offering for Mass is a gift for the community who prays it, whether family is present or not. Mass is offered with gratitude in a way of giving thanks for that person's life and the impact that life has had on you, bringing yourself together in prayer. The amount of a Mass offering is \$10.

Dear Parishioners,

Feast of Epiphany & New Year:

The Church celebrates the feast of Epiphany this Sunday. It is a celebration that often goes unnoticed. The feast of Epiphany comes on the heels of Christmas and New Year celebrations, and is the official conclusion of the Christmas season. However, this year, Epiphany comes a bit early, making it seem a little premature to wrap up Christmas.

Epiphany essentially means "manifestations." It is based on the belief that the birth of the Savior is to be followed by other manifestations of God's glory in the world. The special star seen by the Magi was one of those manifestations. Recall that the star guided the three wise men to the manger where they saw the baby Jesus and his parents, and gave praise to God. Hence, Epiphany is an invitation to watch for the manifestations of God's presence in our lives and in the world. These manifestations could be as subtle as a flash smile on a baby's face or as profound as an apparition.

Furthermore, Epiphany is an invitation to become agents for the manifestations of God's glory in the world. Kind words or gestures could reveal God to someone searching for meaning in life. Mean words or gestures manifest the absence of God's glory, and could be a hindrance to evangelization. We know that sometimes people who are normally nice and pleasant could become mean and soar due to the pains and anxieties of life. Still, those experiences do not justify meanness to others since part of our vocation is to manifest the glory of God. Recognizing and living out this vocation make for a good New Year resolution.

Most often, New Year resolutions revolve around health, finances, and good looks. We all know the typical New Year resolutions: sleeping more, losing weight, exercising more, quitting smoking, getting treatment for alcohol and drug abuse, changing hairstyle, paying bills on time, saving more, et cetera. These are good resolutions that promote healthy lifestyle and personal responsibility.

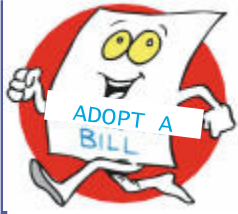
However, New Year resolutions need not focus solely on improving oneself. It is also important to consider resolutions that directly improve our relationship with God, namely: finding more time for prayer, attending Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of obligation, volunteering for parish ministries, increasing our financial support of the parish, et cetera.

By the same token, we should also consider resolutions that improve our relationship with family members, friends, and neighbors, namely: being more forgiving, asking for forgiveness, having time for family meals, being more patient, trusting more, sharing resources with the less fortunate, being nice to our neighbor, volunteering for programs that help the poor, visiting the sick, et cetera.

A balanced resolution is one that addresses the needs of an individual as well as those of the individual in relation to God and neighbor. New Year resolutions should be rational, realistic, and achievable. Apart from coming up with New Year resolutions, we also need to come up with good plans of action for accomplishing those resolutions. I sincerely hope that our New Year resolutions for 2020 would contribute to the ongoing manifestations of God's glory this New Year and every year of our life.

Wishing everyone a Glorious Epiphany and a Happy New Year!

Fr. Romanus



This is the last weekend to take an ornament off our “Adopt a Bill” Giving Tree. Please return all ornaments by next weekend, January 11 & 12, 2020. Thank you to all who have generously supported Blessed Savior with your contribution.

Lord Jesus, may your light shine our way, as once it guided the steps of the magi. May we too be led into your presence and worship you, the Child of Mary, the Word of the Father, the King of nations, the Savior of mankind to whom be glory for ever.



Blessing of Prayer Shawls Saturday, November 30 at the 4pm Mass.



Advent Giving Tree December, 2019



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 Bruskiwicz, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Mary Ann Janke, Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Carol Runningen, Anton Schleiss, 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 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 wrote them.



Join **St. Anne’s Salvatorian Campus** for a free presentation “Walking the Tightrope: Finding Balance in Caregiving” by Reverend Russel Hurst on Thursday, January 16th at 6pm. Reverend Hurst will help caregivers understand how to find balance to serve those they care for with inner peace and strength. Complimentary caregiving services will be available at St. Anne’s for your loved one while you attend the presentation. Light refreshments will be provided. 3800 N. 92nd St., Milwaukee, WI 53222.

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**The School Sisters of St. Francis** hope you will be able to join them on January 25 for “**Finding Contentment in a Discontented World**” reflection and wellness workshop. Sponsored by the School Sisters of St. Francis. Saturday, January 25, from 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. St. Joseph Center, 1501 S. Layton Blvd. Reserve your place today. The fee is just \$15. Send cash or checks to: School Sisters of St. Francis Outreach Events; c/o Donna O’Loughlin; 1501 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215. Contact: [doloughlin@sssf.org](mailto:doloughlin@sssf.org) or 414-385-5272.

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Healing the Whole Person Conference – February 6 - 8
 As we grow as disciples on mission, we accompany others who struggle with anxiety, depression, anger, addiction, illness, or patterns of sin they cannot seem to break. Do you know how to help others (and yourself) bring these wounds to God and receive His gifts of healing and peace? In *Healing the Whole Person*, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, and Dr. Bob Schuchts (author of *Be Healed*) will help us to understand and receive the healing our Lord longs to give us through the sacraments and prayer in the heart of the Catholic Church. Register at <https://jpiihealingcenter.org/events/healing-the-whole-person-milwaukee-wi/>



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