

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 28, 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



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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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"I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence." - Lk 11:8

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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, 7/27 - VIGIL OF 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

4:00pm † Margaret Mackowey

Rosary at 3:15pm

Anointing of the sick in the Chapel after Mass

## SUNDAY, 7/28 - 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

9:00AM † Faustino G. &amp; Eliza V. Piana

† Natividad Santos

Rosary at 8:15am

## MONDAY, 7/29 - ST. MARTHA

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

9:00am † Theresa Somers

TUESDAY, 7/30 - ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS,  
BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43

9:00am Parishioners

## WEDNESDAY, 7/31 - ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST

Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46

9:00am † Tom Schimmels

† Steven Lehman

## SATURDAY, 8/3 - VIGIL OF 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

4:00pm † Anna Nghiem

Rosary at 3:15pm

## SUNDAY, 8/4 - 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

9:00am † Monique Diatta

† Anna Diatta

† Helene Diatta

Rosary at 8:15am

We currently have the following Mass Intention days open for the month of August. Saturday, August 10, 4pm, Wednesday, August 14, 6:30pm (Assumption Eve)

Saturday, August 17, 4pm, Tuesday, August 20, 9am

Saturday, August 24, 4pm, Saturday, August 31, 4pm

Mass is offered with gratitude as a way of giving thanks for a person's life and the impact that life had on you.

Mass stipend is \$10. Please contact the parish office at 414-464-5033



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within you. May God fulfill in you  
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## Sunday Reflection:

This Sunday's readings revolve around the theme of prayer, with emphasis on persistent prayer. Prayer is our means of communicating with God. It is our response to God's compelling invitation to a personal relationship. Prayer nourishes and sustains our relationship with God. Prayer was an integral part of Jesus' life and ministry. Despite the huge crowd and all the teaching and healing to be done, Jesus always found time to pray.

The disciples appreciated the priority their master gave to prayer. They observed that prayer played a major role in his life and preceded important moments in his ministry. They also learned that the disciples of John already knew how to pray. One thing was clear, they wanted to learn how to pray. This desire to pray prompted their request in today's gospel.

The prayer Jesus taught them (The Lord's Prayer) is a fairly simple and direct prayer. Luke's version is shorter than the more familiar version in Matthew's gospel, but has the essential elements. In this prayer, Jesus teaches us to address God as "Abba," a word which literally translates as "Daddy." It conveys the depth of our relationship with God, as well as our dependence on God. By giving us permission to address his Father as our Father, Jesus makes clear that we are his brothers and sisters.

The Lord's Prayer is a prayer that calls for self-reflection, the blessing of God's holy name and the proclamation of God's kingdom. It goes on to implore God's benevolence in providing for his children. We also pray for our daily bread. We pray not just for earthly food, but also for the spiritual nourishment needed to reach our heavenly destination. Equally important is the nourishment of courage and hope to avert cynicism and despair. The prayer addresses the issue of forgiveness and insists that before asking God for forgiveness, we need to ensure we are forgiving those who offend us.

Jesus quickly follows up the Lord's Prayer with elaborate stories on the need for persistence in prayer. He states that if a friend does not get up at midnight to grant his friend's needs because of their friendship, he would get up because of his persistence. Likewise, we have to be persistent in prayer because "anyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and the one who knocks will have the door opened." This was certainly true in relation to Abraham in the first reading. God revealed to Abraham that the three angels he entertained in last Sunday's gospel were heading to destroy the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah for their grave sins. Abraham was very concerned about his nephew, Lot, and his family who lived among the sinners of Sodom and Gomorrah. His desire to save Lot and his family led to an audaciously shameless intercession on behalf of the two cities. He negotiated down the number of righteous people from fifty to ten before giving up.

Apart from Abraham's remarkable persistence, we also realize that God's patience is extra-ordinary. God was willing to spare the two cities if he found lesser number of righteous people. Unfortunately, there were not enough righteous people to spare the cities from the destructive blow, except Lot's family. Like Abraham, we need to learn persistence in prayer. Persistence is not the same as irresponsible nagging since God knows what we want even before we ask. Even when prayers appear not answered, we should trust that God knows what is best for us. The essence of persistence in prayer is to manifest our faith and trust in God's ability to meet our needs. Have a great week!

Fr. Romanus





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**You can also sign up after Mass next weekend, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.**



Human Concerns Commission—You have mail. Please pick up your August 28 meeting agenda.



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:

Edwige Badjio, Jackie Ballering,

Noritta Ballmann, Ervin Bonds, Stanley Bruskiwicz,  
Diane Henry, Mary Ann & Charles Janke,  
Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Karla Klaybor, Max Knight,  
Ginny & Donald Naegele, Allan & Lorraine Rischman,  
Carol Runningen, Anton Schleiss, Joe & Joan Trinkl,  
Mary Frances Williams

*Lord Jesus, who 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.



Human Concerns Commission Annual Back to School Drive Is Coming Up September 7 & 8 and September 14 & 15.

Stores are all having sales on school supplies at this time.

All Supplies will be given to Blessed Savior School, St. Vincent de Paul, and 3 neighborhood Public Schools.

They can use spiral notebooks (wide ruled), colored pencils, 16 count box crayons, ball point pens, #2 pencils, filler paper (wide ruled), scissors, (blunt tipped) markers, erasers, glue sticks/bottles, pocket folders, & kleenex for the teachers.



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Are you discerning a call to Lay Ministry? If you are discerning a call to Lay Ministry, then come to the **Information Session for the Brother Booker Ashe Lay Ministry Program**

**Where:** St. Martin de Porres Parish, 3114 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street

**When:** Saturday, August 3, 2019

**Time:** 10:00a.m.-11:30a.m.

**Call:** Sister Callista Robinson at 372-3090 or 374-3045

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