## Blessed Savior Catholic Parish 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225 Parish Office/Center (mailing address)

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Mass Times: Saturday, 4pm and Sunday, 9am

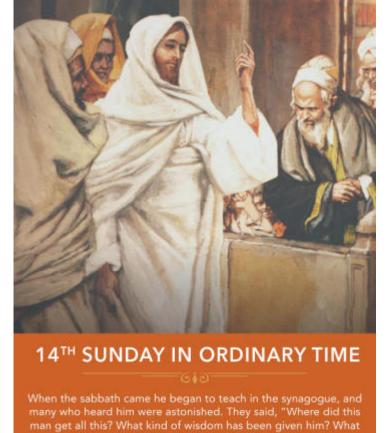
Morning Mass: Monday and Wednesday, 9am in the Chapel



John Henry, Blessed Savior's Finance Director receives recognition and a plaque for 13 years of service from Fr. Romanus, Pastor, at the 9am Mass on Sunday, June 27, 2021.

Penny Kannall, Blessed Savior's Bookkeeper is retiring after 6 years of service. (unable to attend)

Congratulations from Fr. Romanus and Blessed Savior parishioners. We wish John and Penny a well deserved and happy retirement!



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

mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" - Mk 6:2

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.

Baptism: Call the parish office to set up an appointment.

Confessions: Call the parish office.

Communal Penance: Seasonal as announced.

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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, 7/3 - Vigil of the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 2:2-5 / Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd] / 2 Cor 12:7-10 / Mk 6:1-6a

4:00pm

† Mary Hentz

Sunday, 7/4 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Independence Day

Ez 2:2-5 / Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd] / 2 Cor 12:7-10 /

Mk 6:1-6a 9:00am

† Robert Ulik, John and Mary Kozak

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 7/5 - St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest;

St. Elizabeth of Portugal

Gn 28:10-22a / Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15 ab [cf. 2b] /

Mt 9:18-26

9:00am Parishioners

Wednesday, 7/7 - Weekday

Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a / Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19

[22] / Mt 10:1-7

9:00am † Deceased Members of the Parish

Saturday, 7/10 - Vigil of the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 7:12-15 / Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8] / Eph 1:3-14

OR 1:3-10 / Mk 6:7-13

4:00pm † Mame Yacine Alice Boimond

Sunday, 7/11 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 7:12-15 / Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8] / Eph 1:3-14

OR 1:3-10 / Mk 6:7-13

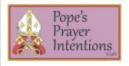
9:00am † Al and Jean Siegel

Rosary at 8:15am

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

Willard Ward, father of usher Mike Ward Josephine Fulai, aunt of Collins Tabifor Steve Balderas, husband of Kathleen Bellows

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 soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen



### July Intention - Social Friendship We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

### Dear Parishioners,

July 4th is a day dear to us, the citizens of the United States of America, as we celebrate our Independence as a nation. Independence Day is in remembrance of the day the Continental Congress adopted the final draft of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Thirteen former British colonies made the declaration following unjust treatment under the draconian leadership of King George III of England and the British parliament.

It all started in 1767, when a tea company in India owned by the British started losing money. To make up for the losses, the British colonial government levied taxes on all tea sold in British colonies, including America. The Americans were outraged and protested. Samuel Adams and other Bostonians dressed up as Indians and dumped a cargo of the Indian Company's tea into the Massachusetts Bay. The situation further deteriorated when British soldiers fired at a crowd of protesters on the Boston harbor, killing some in the crowd, described as "the Boston massacres." These two events changed the course of American history, leading to the war of independence in 1775 as a push back against the British.

Prior to the war, the First Continental Congress convened in 1774, and put together a list of grievances against the British monarchy. This would become the first draft of the Declaration of Independence. George Washington took command of the Continental Army and battled the British in Massachusetts and other parts of the colonies, known as the Revolutionary War. On July 2, 1776, the Second Continental Congress came up with the second draft of a list of grievances, officially called the Declaration of Independence. It was not long before the colonies realized they were not just fighting new taxes, but for freedom.

The War of Independence dragged on until 1783 when the nation gained independence. However, it was not until 1941 that Congress officially declared July 4 a federal holiday. In celebrating independence, we recall the brave men and women who shed their blood for our freedom. We should not take freedom for granted. One of the founding fathers, Patrick Henry, stated, "Give me freedom, or give me death." The quote was from a speech he made to the Second Virginia Convention in 1775. The speech was instrumental in convincing the Convention to pass a resolution that delivered the Virginian troops for the Revolutionary War.

As we gather for picnics, fireworks and parades, it is important not to forget why we are celebrating. We equally need to be mindful of those around the world who are still in bondage and fighting for their freedom. Like freedom fighters before them, many would make the ultimate sacrifice for the liberation of their people. It is important for our nation to be engaged in these international struggles for freedom.

While supporting the fight for freedom overseas, we should also be cognizant of the need to protect the freedoms already won here at home. One of those is the "freedom of religion" which continues to be under attack in some areas of our government. The Constitution states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Yet, we often find strong anti-religious sentiments among some in congress.

There have also been gradual encroachments by the judiciary to undermine the freedom of religion. However, the recent 9-0 Supreme Court ruling in favor of a Catholic Foster Agency in a very volatile issue is courageous. It is a recognition of the value of religious freedom, even though the ruling may have been based on legal technicalities. Equally impressive is a Supreme Court ruling earlier in the year in favor of three Muslim men placed on the federal no-fly list for refusing an FBI request to spy on their religious community. We should not give up on prayer.

Wishing everyone a Happy 4th of July. *Fr. Romanus* 





Blessed Savior Parish extends a warm welcome to

### William Castro

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

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



On this 4th of July, let us remember all our freedoms originate from our good and gracious God.

God, we thank you for our nation and for the men and women who had the courage to form this nation. We thank you for the flag which flies over our nation and gives us hope. We ask your blessing on our nation and its leaders.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Landscaping Help Needed

We are looking for a few parishioners to volunteer and help us with our church property landscaping. There are bushes to be trimmed, weeds to be pulled and flower gardens to be maintained.



Any help is appreciated. Call Joe Ratke at 262-251-0857.



### A Foundation of Gratitude

"Disciples who practice stewardship recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, the source of all they have and are and will be.

They know themselves to be recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts. They are grateful for what they have received."

> Stewardship: A disciple's Response, U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops

### Safe Environment Program in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Did you know...

All seminarians in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee undergo criminal background checks, Safe Environment Education training in child abuse prevention, psychological evaluation, classes and workshops on human sexuality, and mandatory reporter training.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me for he sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

Luke 4:18

### 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, Bernetta, Stanley Bruskiewicz, Alaina Chenow, Dennis Claas, Anna Emmerich, Catherine Felber, Robin Flynn, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Mike Hubbard, Mary Ann Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Barb Moroder, Ginny & Donald Naegele, Beth Newton, Sr. Gina Redig, SSND, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Anton Schleiss, Sharon Tym, Joseph Valent, 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.

Names remain on the Sick List for 4 weeks and then are given to the Prayer Circle. For names to be removed sooner, call the parish office.

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

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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.

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