

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 3rd Sunday of Lent

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site  
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March 12, 2023

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



The Rite of Sending to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election, Sunday, March 5, 2023, 9am Mass

Pat Novara, sponsor for Jackie Bell-Brown (Candidate)  
Basil Nwachukwu, sponsor for Michael (Candidate)  
Fr. Romanus Nwaru, Pastor

*May you grow in the knowledge of God's love  
for you and into greater unity with the Church.*

### Parish Staff:

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### Bulletin Deadline: Monday by Noon

Email: parish@blessedsavior.org  
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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm

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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:** Scheduled in Lent and Advent.

**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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### 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.*

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday, 3/11 - Vigil of the 3rd Sunday of Lent**

*Ex 17:3-7 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8) / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42 OR 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42*

**4:00pm** † Deceased Members of the Parish

**Sunday, 3/12 - 3rd Sunday of Lent**

*Ex 17:3-7 / Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8) / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42 OR 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42*

**9:00am** † Tristan Hamon

**Rosary at 8:15am**

**Monday, 3/13 - Lenten Weekday**

*2 Kgs 5:1-15ab / Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 / Lk 4:24-30*

**9:00am** † All Souls

**Tuesday, 3/14 - Lenten Weekday**

*Dn 3:25, 34-43 / Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9 / Mt 18:21-35*

**9:00am** East Campus Mass  
Intention of the Priest

**Wednesday, 3/15 - Lenten Weekday**

*Dt 4:1, 5-9 / Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 / Mt 5:17-19*

**9:00am** Parishioners

**Saturday, 3/18 - Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Lent**

*1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1) / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9:1-41 OR 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38*

**4:00pm** † Theresa Somers

**Sunday, 3/19 - 4th Sunday of Lent**

*1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1) / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9:1-41 OR 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38*

**9:00am** † Marie Therese Sambou

† Gabriel Senghou

**Rosary at 8:15am**

This week's School Mass is Tuesday, March 14, 9:00am at the East Campus. Enter through the front center door of the church.



After careful consideration, Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKi has granted a dispensation for March 17 which lifts the obligation of abstinence from meat on Fridays during Lent so Catholics in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee can celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Catholics

who partake in the St. Patrick's Day feast are encouraged to engage in another sacrificial or charitable act that day or give up meat on another day.

**Holy Communion from the Cup**

Archbishop ListECKi has lifted the restriction of Holy Communion from the Cup (due to the Coronavirus pandemic). Once we are prepared and properly informed, we will joyfully return to the reception of the Blood of Christ.

**Gospel Meditation**

We give the definition of ourselves over to so many things. We allow our society, friends, family, work, social groups, ethnicity, and even institutions define, classify, and color how we perceive ourselves. When we listen predominantly to the voices of others, we lose touch with what is happening within our own inner voice. If we listen carefully within, we can easily discover that we are in want and need. We know our incompleteness and also know that loneliness, sadness, and self-images can propel us outward in attempts to fill those gaps. We can become not only victims of our own prejudices but can find ourselves overly self-indulgent in things that can only satisfy for a short time, if at all.

It is no wonder that money and power are things that are so fervently sought after. As long as we can keep a steady supply going, the illusion of fulfillment and satisfaction can falsely persuade us as craftily as a master magician's act. We live with illusions not truth. It is no wonder, then, that some of the wealthiest folks are also really the unhappiest. Whether we admit it, the lies we live and pursue will ultimately expose our superficiality. We all have to wrestle with who we are and what gives our lives purpose and meaning. Learn to listen more deeply, not to what others are saying about you, but what God is echoing in your heart. We can easily get confused and misunderstand, not only about who we are but who God is. Even the disciples and the Samaritan woman at the well missed the point Jesus was trying to make.

There is only one Person who can satisfy the deepest yearnings and longings of our hearts - Jesus the Messiah. It is not the work of corporate America that will lead us to happiness or greatness but the work of the soul. We continue to resist acknowledging this and are happier in our world of misunderstanding and illusion. The life-giving water we truly need doesn't come from the source of a well but from the Source of Life. Only God can reveal the truth of our sinfulness, the superficiality of our pursuits, and the illusions we hold so dear. Only Jesus can save us from ourselves and give us what we really need. If only our heads can catch up with where our hearts know they need to be, then will we find real contentment and life!

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On **Wednesday, March 29, 2023**, area priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 11 parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

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Scan the code for more information.

St. Margaret Mary Parish will be the host site for parishes in our Deanery on March 29.  
8am — 8pm



**CRS Rice Bowl**

In today's bulletin you will find an envelope for your contribution to the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Campaign. The envelope will enable you to make your contribution by check or cash. Please make your check payable to Blessed Savior Parish and write CRS Rice Bowl in the memo line and place it the collection basket before Easter. If you are using the Rice Bowl Box, make sure your name is on the box. Thank you for your generous contribution.

**Palms**

The palms you received on Palm Sunday last year will be burned in the fire at the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 8. Parishioners can bring their palms to church and place them in the baskets located at each entrance.

**Easter Flower Offering**

Please use the envelope from your weekly packet for your Easter flower memorials or pick one up from the table in the back of church. If you are participating in Faith Direct and wish to have a loved one's name in memory or honor of, please fill out an envelope or sheet of paper and drop it in the collection basket or call the parish office at 414-464-5033 with their names and they will be recorded. Remember to print clearly, indicating the name of those for whom the memorial or honor is intended.

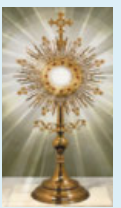
**Lenten Season**

**Stations of the Cross** - Every Friday during Lent, 6:30-7pm. Enter through the west side door of church.

3/19 2nd Scrutiny, 9am Mass

3/26 3rd Scrutiny, 9am Mass

**Blessed Savior Communal Reconciliation**  
Wednesday, March 22, 6pm

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Every Friday from 11am-2:30pm and 5pm-6:25pm followed by the Stations of the Cross. Enter through the east church door. We do need volunteers to stay with Jesus on Fridays from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. If you are able to spare time for Jesus, please call or text Gisele at 414-628-7373, so you can be put on the schedule.

Every first weekend of the month we will have Eucharistic Adoration before all Masses, with rosary. Saturday, April 1 at 3pm and Sunday, April 2 at 8:15am.

**Looking Ahead**

*The Human Concerns Baby Shower begins on April 22 and runs through May 7. Watch for more information in a future bulletin.*

**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, 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, 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.*

The Black Catholic Ministry Commission is sponsoring a **Lenten Day of Reflection**, led by Father Fred

Alexander, on Saturday, March 18 from 8:30am to 3:30pm at Blessed Savior Parish. Everyone is welcome, and there is no charge. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. We encourage you to go!

RSVP: <https://archmil.regfox.com/black-catholic-lenten-day-of-reflection> or call Susan McNeil (414)758-2214.

**SVDP Lenten Food Drive: Week 4, March 18 & 19**

The pantry could use your help filling the shelves with Rice or Noodle Roni, spaghetti sauce/noodles, and deodorant. Thank you for your support!

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**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: 5558 N. 69 St.**

414-464-3817. Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 8-10am

**Pastoral Council Officers:**

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