

2nd Sunday of Lent

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Parish Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8am - 4pm
Closed Fridays

Mass Times: SATURDAY 4PM-SUNDAY 9AM
Weekdays: Mon., Tues., Wed. 9am in the Chapel

Bulletin Deadline: Monday by NOON
Carol Spsychalski, Bulletin Editor
Sacraments: Preparation for all sacraments are made through the parish office.

Sacrament of Christian Marriage: Arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance by calling the parish office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Individual: Any time by appointment
Communal: Seasonal as announced

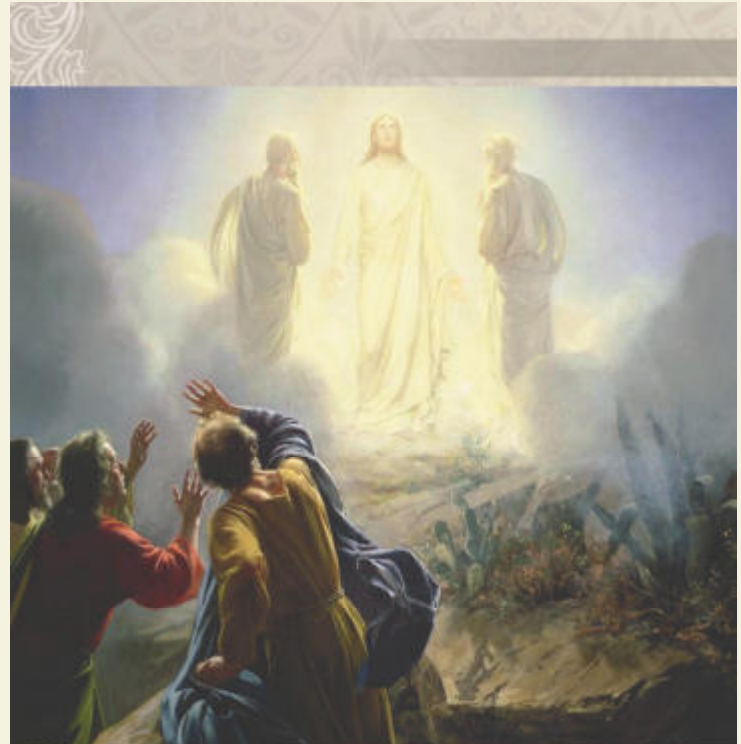
Sacrament of Baptism: Contact the parish office to set up an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick (Communal - Monthly)
Individual: Any time and also by appointment.
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.
414-464-3817—Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8-10am
Interfaith Older Adult Programs: 414-466-8858

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While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

Mientras oraba, su rostro cambió de aspecto y sus vestiduras se hicieron blancas y relampagueantes. - Lc 9, 29

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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, 3/16 - VIGIL OF 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1 OR 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28B-36

4:00pm † Leontine Coly

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 3/17 - 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

9:00am † Marie Therese Sambou

Rosary at 8:15am

MONDAY, 3/18 - ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM,
BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [cf. 103:10a]/Lk 6:36-38

9:00am Parishioners

TUESDAY, 3/19 - ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

9:00am † All Souls

WEDNESDAY, 3/20 - LENTEN WEDNESDAY

Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 [17b]/Mt 20:17-28 11:00

11:00am † Funeral Mass for Robert Leack

THURSDAY, 3/21 - SCHOOL MASS, EAST CAMPUS

Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Lk 16:19-31

9:00am Intention of the Priest

SATURDAY, 3/23 - VIGIL OF 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

4:00pm † Jane Ziem

Rosary at 3:15pm

SUNDAY, 3/24 - 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

9:00am † Jeff Spyhalski

Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is **Thursday, March 21, 9am at the EAST Campus**. Enter through the front center door of the church. **Parishioners are welcome to attend.**



Anointing of the sick will be in the chapel on Saturday, March 30 after the 4pm Mass. Prayer shawls will be available this weekend.

**In Loving Remembrance**

Please remember in your prayers
John Clef (Stano)

son of parishioner Betty Tenhaken.

May he find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in heaven and may his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

A Reminder about Mass Intentions...We currently have 2019 Masses open for intentions and if you would like to have a Mass said, call Eileen at the Parish Office 464-5033 ext. 11 to make an appointment. Mass stipends are \$10.

**Dear Parishioners,
Sunday Reflection:**

The first reading presents us with an account of a remarkable covenant between God and Abraham. The covenant is typical of the ancient covenant practice of cutting animals in half and placing the halves opposite each other, creating a pathway. The parties to a covenant would walk through the pathway. It is a dramatic way of saying if one breaks the covenant, let happened to those animals happen to them. It is remarkable that God would enter a Covenant with Abraham in such a dramatic fashion.

Faith is a necessary condition (*conditio sine qua non*) for covenant with God. We know that God is trusted to keep his side of a covenant, but we cannot say the same of humans.

Fortunately, Abram's faith was strong enough to enter into a covenant with God, trusting in the fulfilment of the promises made. Likewise, Lent presents an excellent opportunity to re-examine our faith and covenant with God, taking advantage of the conversion *mantra*. Making the best of Lent also entails ensuring the unrelenting call for repentance does not lead to boredom.

In the second reading, St. Paul tearfully and lovingly reprimands those members of the Philippine community who were conducting themselves as enemies of the cross. Embracing the cross is an essential part of the Lenten experience. Through his paschal mystery, Christ transformed an instrument of torture into a means of salvation. Often one has to choose between the difficult way of the cross and the easy way of the world. St. Paul states that those who are preoccupied with worldly wealth, power and glory make themselves enemies of the cross.

St. Paul also reminds the community that their citizenship is in heaven from where they await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. As we journey through Lent, we ought to be cognizant that our true citizenship is in heaven. We cannot afford to spend so much energy pursuing elusive wealth, power, and honor to the detriment of our spiritual wellbeing. There is nothing wrong with hard work and success so long as one does not sacrifice one's integrity in the process.

The gospel presents the transfiguration narrative from Luke's gospel. The narrative is actually found in all three synoptic gospels (Matt 17:1-9; Mark 9:2-8; and Luke 9:28-36). In this Sunday's narrative, Jesus went up the mountain (believed to be Mt. Tabor) to pray with a select few of his apostles – Peter, James and John. That prayer session quickly turned into something otherworldly as they witnessed his transfiguration. The presence of Moses and Elijah points to Jesus' connection with Israel's past as the fulfillment of the law and the prophets.

The transfiguration was an awesome moment of revelation, wrapped in theophany. As was the case during his baptism, the heavens opened, and apostles heard the Father's voice introducing his Son to the world. We could also sense the presence of the Holy Spirit represented by the cloud. One might wonder why God revealed his Son's glory to the Apostles this way. St. Thomas Aquinas taught that it strengthened the Apostles for the cross through a glimpse of the Resurrection. The transfiguration is so highly regarded as to be included among the newly established "Luminous Mysteries" by Pope John Paul II, in 2002.

Have a great week!

Fr. Romanus

Faith Direct For Lent

Fast, Pray, and give up your Envelopes! We invite you to help Blessed Savior Church by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with Faith Direct will provide the church with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season! Signing up is easy! Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: WI518.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You,
John Henry, Parish Finance Director



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:

- Diane & Ken Brown, Stanley Bruskiwicz,
- Diane Henry, Mary Ann & Charles Janke,
- Ray & Gertrud Kaegler, Ginny & Donald Naegle,
- Allan & Lorraine Rischman,
- Sr. Gina Redig, 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.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER—All Liturgical ministers: ushers, greeters, servers, music ministers, Eucharistic ministers, and lectors are reminded to attend the Evening of Reflection on Saturday, March 23 after the 4pm Mass.



Sunday, March 24th at 6PM, Capuchin Brother Bob Wotyпка will discuss the *Mission of the Capuchins, the Brother Booker Asch House of Peace, and the St. Ben's Meal Program*. The event is free, open to all, and will be held downstairs in the basement of the church in Sampon Hall on 92nd & Capitol. Please join us for food, faith, and fellowship!

Parishioners of all ages, please join us for our next St. Margaret Mary/Blessed Savior Dual Parish work service day as we help the Capuchin Brothers clean at the St. Ben's Meal Program on 9th Street on Saturday, March 30 from 3PM-6PM. All are welcome and encouraged to join us for this Lenten service project. Contact Faith Formation Director Dave Licione for questions @.5MM 414.461.6073 x106 or Blessed Savior Parish 414.464.5033 x13



"Adopt-a-Bill" Lenten Giving Trees

Thank you to all who kindly contributed to our Adopt-a-Bill Giving Tree during the Advent season. \$3,085 was collected to help fund parish expenses. We are truly grateful.

For the Lenten Season, the Finance Council has set up three "Adopt-a-Bill" Lenten Giving Trees located at each church door entrance. We ask you again to consider an extra gift to Blessed Savior to help with our heating, snow removal and liturgical supply expenses. Please take an "ornament bill" from the tree with the suggested donation for that budgeted item. Feel free to be as generous as you can. Return the ornament and your donation in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. You can also use Faith Direct and indicate an additional donation. Thank you for your generous support of Blessed Savior.



LENTEEN FOOD DRIVE for St. Vincent de PAUL, March 10—April 14
HUMAN CONCERNS LENTEEN LAYETTE COLLECTION, begins Mar. 23 through April 7.

- CRS RICE BOWL COLLECTION**, begins March 10
- RITE OF ELECTION**, March 17, 1:30pm, St. John's Cathedral
- STATIONS OF THE CROSS**, March 22, April 12, 6:00pm
- 1st SCRUTINY**, March 24, 9am Mass
- 2nd SCRUTINY**, March 31, 9am Mass
- 3rd SCRUTINY**, April 7, 9am Mass
- COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION**, April 10, 6:30pm
- PALM SUNDAY**, APRIL 14, blessing of Palms, 4pm & 9am Mass
- HOLY THURSDAY**, April 18, 6:30pm Mass
- GOOD FRIDAY**, April 19, 6:30pm Service, Parish Office closed
- EASTER VIGIL**, April 20, 8pm Mass
- EASTER SUNDAY**, April 21, 9am Mass
- EASTER MONDAY**, April 22, No 9am Chapel Mass Parish Office closed



FOR WEEK 3: March 24th

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Food Drive
Peanut Butter & Jelly, Rice (1 or 2 lbs. size)
Tuna, Tuna Helper, Toothpaste



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STATIONS OF THE CROSS
MARCH 22 & APRIL 12
6:00PM IN THE CHURCH



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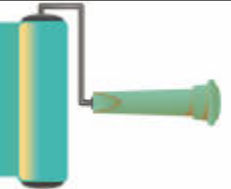
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