

# Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

## 1st Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site  
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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.  
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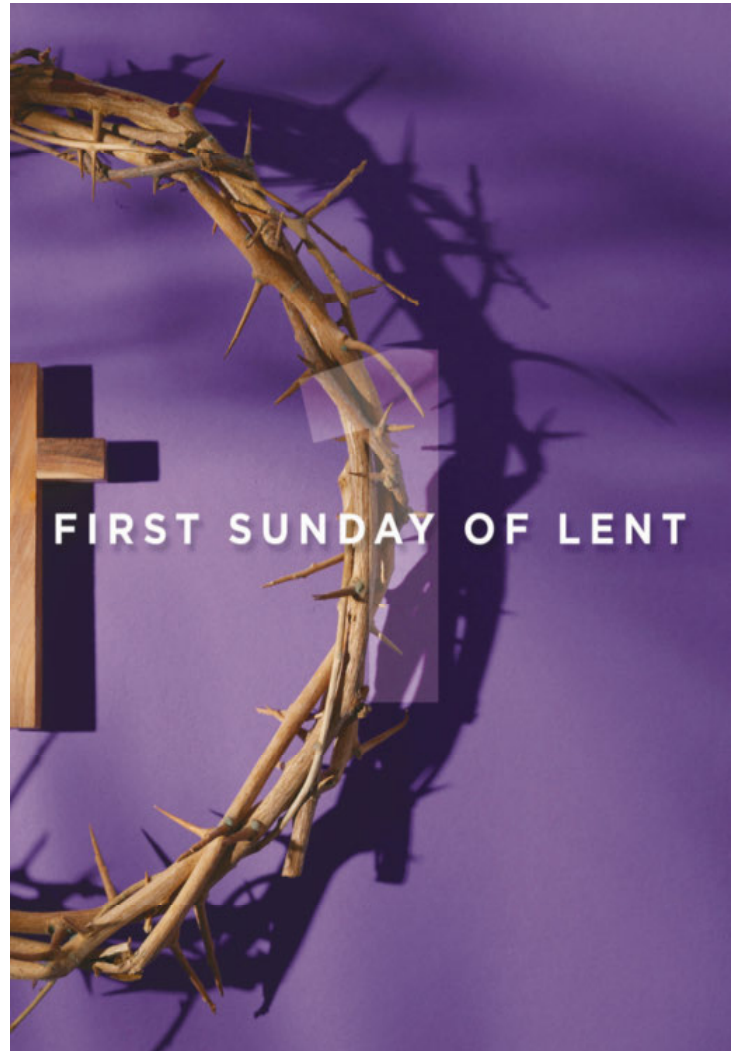
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**Funerals:** Call the parish office in the event of the death of a loved one.

**Weddings:** Arrangements are to be made at least one year in advance by calling the parish office.

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:** 5558 N. 69 St.  
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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, 3/5 - Vigil of the 1st Sunday of Lent

*Dt 26:4-10 / Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b] / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13*

4:00pm † Theresa Somers

Sunday, 3/6 - 1st Sunday of Lent

*Dt 26:4-10 / Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b] / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13*

9:00am † Paulette Bangura

Rosary at 8:15am

Monday, 3/7 - Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

*Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 / Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 / Mt 25:31-46*

9:00am Parishioners

Tuesday, 3/8 - St. John of God, Religious

*Is 55:10-11 / Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 / Mt 6:7-15*

9:00am South Campus Mass  
Intention of the Priest

Wednesday, 3/9 - St. Frances of Rome, Religious

*Jon 3:1-10 / Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 / Lk 11:29-32*

9:00am † All Souls

Saturday, 3/12 - Vigil of the 2nd Sunday of Lent

*Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 / Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14 / Phil 3:17-4:1*  
*OR 3:20-4:1 / Lk 9:28b-36*

4:00pm † Francis and Helen Brunner  
† Jessica Matuszak

Sunday, 3/13 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

*Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 / Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14 / Phil 3:17-4:1*  
*OR 3:20-4:1 / Lk 9:28b-36*

9:00am † Juan Cruz Zavala  
Rosary at 8:15am

This week's School Mass is Tuesday,  
March 8, 9:00am at the South Campus.  
Enter through the south side door of the church.  
Parishioners are welcome.

*I am  
a Child  
of  
God*



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

***Gloria Weinhold, parishioner***

May she find peace and happiness with our Lord Jesus in heaven. May God comfort those who mourn her and all who suffer the loss of a loved one. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

## Gospel Meditation

One of the greatest temptations human beings face is leaving the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them in pursuit of more personal satisfactions. When we consider all that desires our attention in a given day, there are many lures that attract us to illusions about ourselves. We can easily find ourselves distracted or tired, preoccupied with preserving our status in life, social relationships, current trends, and corporate demands, and intrigued by pursuing what we perceive to be the "path of least resistance." The daily concerns of life can quickly take our eyes off of our truth, making the empty promises of worldly accomplishments and ideologies seem so attractive. What is at risk in giving into this temptation?

We cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. We replace the true God with a "pet" one. While many do not totally dismiss the idea of God and pretend to remain at least remotely connected, they do not invest themselves heart, mind, and soul in the relationship either. That is why we are so easily swayed. If something attractive comes along, we lunge for it. After all, having a position above and over everyone else is a good thing, isn't it? In more honest moments, many have to admit that they believe this to be true. The Evil One is very convincing. But he can only gain control if we allow him to.

About temptation, St. Basil remarks, "As the pilot of a vessel is tried in the storm, as the wrestler is tried in the ring, the soldier in the battle and the hero in adversity, so is the Christian tried in temptation." And here is found the reason for Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity to get a handle on the attractive lures of illusion that easily captivate us and bring us off track. It is also a time for some honest reflection rooted in prayer, fasting, and selfless giving that can bring us to temptation's remedy: love. Love of his Father gave Jesus resistance. It can do the same for us.

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***Lent - The penitential season that calls us to conversion, to change our ways and evaluate how we might use the time afforded to us to grow in our spiritual lives.***

**Adopt-a-Bill Lenten Giving Tree**

Thank you to all who kindly contributed to our Adopt-a-Bill Giving Tree during the Advent season. \$2,930 was collected to help fund parish expenses. We are truly grateful.



For the Lenten season, the Finance Council has set up an Adopt-a-Bill Giving Tree in the back of church. 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 a “Lenten Cross” from the tree with the suggested donation for that budgeted item. Feel free to be as generous as you can. Return the cross 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.

**CRS Rice Bowl - The Pillars of Lent**

As we begin our Lenten journey, reflect on how your prayers, fasting and almsgiving can guide you. As Pope Francis explains, these are “elements which, when lived sincerely, can transform life and provide a sure foundation for dignity and fraternity.”



How can practicing the Lenten pillars transform your life and the lives of our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more. Contribution envelopes will be available in the March 20 bulletin. If you prefer to use a “Rice Bowl Box” during Lent, they are available on the round table in the Villard hallway.

**The Catholic Stewardship Appeal**

provides an opportunity to share your blessings with others. To donate, text **APPEAL2022 to 414-348-8380**, give online at [www.catholicappeal.org](http://www.catholicappeal.org) or mail your contribution to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal, 3501 S. Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53207. Thank you!



March

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

**Lenten Layette Collection** through March 20

- 3/6 Rite of Sending to the Cathedral for the Rite of Election
- 3/8 National Catholic Sisters Week
- 3/13 Daylight Saving Time Begins - Spring Ahead Change your clock & change your batteries.

**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, Isabel Atkinson, Jackie Ballering, Bernetta, Stanley Bruskiwicz, Dennis Claas, Rhey Clemente, Anna Emmerich, Catherine Felber, Robin Flynn, Nadjah Hasan, Diane Henry, Rita Hohensee, Mike Hubbard, Mary Anne Janke, Gertrud Kaegler, Amber King, Karla Klaybor, Barb Moroder, Ginny Naegele, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Thomas Schmid, 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.

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

**SVDP Lenten Food Drive: Week 2, March 12 & 13**

The pantry could use your help filling their shelves with pancake syrup and mix, soups, instant potatoes, hamburger helper, and/or toothbrushes. Thank you for your support!



**St. Catherine of Bologna - Feast Day March 9**

St. Catherine of Bologna (1413–1463) came from an upper-class family in Ferrara, Italy and received an education at the court, where she learned reading, writing, singing and drawing. But despite her advantages, her heart yearned for God.



She joined a group of religious women at the age of 18. Four years later, that same group joined the Poor Clares, an order founded by St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi. In 1456, she and 15 other sisters were sent to establish a Poor Clare monastery in Florence.

As abbess, St. Catherine of Bologna worked to establish the new community and maintain a semblance of peace throughout. She was a model of piety and reported experiencing miracles and several visions of Christ and the Virgin Mary.

In 1463, St. Catherine of Bologna became seriously ill and she passed away. She was buried without a coffin and her body was exhumed 18 days later because of many cures attributed to her at her graveside and the sweet scent coming from her grave. Her body was discovered incorrupt (meaning it was not decaying) and remains so today.



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