

Blessed Savior Catholic Parish

3rd Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022

Blessed Savior Parish Worship Site
8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225
Parish Office/Center (mailing address)
8607 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225
Phone: 414-464-5033

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

Rite of Initiation at the Easter Vigil
April 16, 2022

Baptism, Communion, Confirmation for
Jessica, Brad, Brian, Chigozie
Simon (catechist)



Full Communion
(Communion and Confirmation)
for Mahalia



Baptism of Aurelie



First Communion for James

Parish Staff:

Rev. Romanus N. Nwaru, Pastor
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Terry Rice, Business Manager
Barbara O'Donnell, Systems Coordinator
Eileen Heck, Administrative Assistant
Christy Presser, Director of Music

Bulletin Deadline: Monday by Noon
Email: parish@blessedsavior.org
Website: www.blessedsaviorparish.org
Parish Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm

Join us on Facebook: [@blessedsaviorparish](https://www.facebook.com/blessedsaviorparish)
Download our App:
For iPhone Text: ParishApp1 to 555888
For Android Text: ParishApp2 to 555888

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: Call 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, 4/30 - Vigil of the 3rd Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 / Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a] / Rv 5:11-14 / Jn 21:1-19 OR 21:1-14
 4:00pm † Francis and Helen Brunner
 † Jessica Matuszak

Sunday, 5/1 - 3rd Sunday of Easter
Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 / Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a] / Rv 5:11-14 / Jn 21:1-19 OR 21:1-14
 9:00am † Pete Camden
 Rosary at 8:15am

Friday, 5/6
 12 Noon Funeral Mass for Raymond Toelle

Saturday, 5/7 - Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Easter
Acts 13:14, 43-52 / Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c] / Rv 7:9, 14b-17 / Jn 10:27-30
 4:00pm † Amber Anderson

Sunday, 5/8 - 4th Sunday of Easter
 Mother's Day
 World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Acts 13:14, 43-52 / Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c] / Rv 7:9, 14b-17 / Jn 10:27-30
 9:00am † Marie Therese Sambou
 Rosary at 8:15am

There will be no Morning Mass on May 2 and May 4.



Wedding Banns 1

Noelle Thompson and Adedokun Adedoyin



Congratulations

*Aubree K. and Annabelle M. on your
 First Holy Communion
 Sunday, May 1, 2022 at St. Agnes Parish*

*May you always be close to Jesus as you are today.
 May others know Jesus through His presence in you.*

Catholic Stewardship Appeal

An in-pew commitment process for the 2022 Catholic Stewardship Appeal will take place next weekend, May 7 & 8, 2022. All who have not had a chance to respond to a mailing from Archbishop ListECKI will be asked to consider making a pledge to support the ministries supported by the Catholic Stewardship Appeal.



Gospel Meditation

Could it be that God's image has become so soiled and distorted that it is hard for us to see it? Our self-serving agendas have done a great job twisting God's image into what profits us. We want our agenda to be God's agenda and use prayer as the convincing leverage we need. Worse still, our success and egocentric agenda often erases God's image completely, replacing it with our own. St. Oscar Romero instructs us that the Son of Man "dies on the cross to cleanse God's image, which is soiled in today's humanity, a humanity so enslaved, so selfish, so sinful." Striving to preserve control of our destinies at all costs, we fail to see the risen suffering servant, the Christ, standing right beside us.

Jesus, who suffered and died on a cross and was raised from the dead, corrects our soiled image of God. He shows us God as God is, not who we want to make God to be. God is the God of the poor, the weak, and the marginalized. He is the God who tenderly caresses us when we are suffering and hurting, assuring us that all will be safe and well. He is the God of equity, peace, justice, and compassion who wants happiness for each of His children, desiring their well-being and success. God goes where men and women are afraid to go, sitting with the lost, the broken, and the sorrowing. St. Oscar Romero challenges us to illuminate with "Christ's light ... even the most hideous caverns of the human person: torture, jail, plunder, want, chronic illness. The oppressed must be saved." The resurrection calls us to be God's microphone, a messenger, and a prophet (St. Oscar Romero).

Using eyes that see beyond the limited constructs and desires of our world, we can see the true and real Jesus standing before us, calling us to transformation and change. Asking us more than once, "do you love me?" We are beckoned to give an answer. Answering in the affirmative, it is now our task to feed the sheep and the lambs who belong to God. In short, equipped with the power of the resurrection and a corrected image of God our task is to make things better, brighter, holier, more life-giving, and just for all of God's children. Considering our choices, our interactions, our philosophies, and aspirations, how can we do this?

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Nominations are Open for Pastoral Council

Councilors must be baptized, practicing members of Blessed Savior Parish and over the age of 18. The term of office is 3 years. Nominations will be accepted until May 15. Nomination forms (found at the end of each pew) can be put in the collection basket or returned to the Parish Office by May 13.

You may nominate yourself or any other parish member. You may nominate more than one individual. Discernment will be May 15. Nominees are expected to watch the Archdiocesan video before discernment. See the parish webpage (www.blessedsaviorparish.org) for a link to the video and more information on the role of Pastoral Councilors.

**School Community Project by parishioner
 Henri Ndour, 8th grade student - May 7 & 8, 2022**

School drive for Hope House. Please help by donating disinfectant wipes, face masks and hand sanitizer. Place items in basket in the Villard hallway. Many thanks!

Dear Parishioners,

PARISH TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS:

Following the non-renewal/resignation of our trustees, Julia Atkinson (Trustee Treasurer) and Mark Kuchta (Trustee Secretary) who have served 15 years and 9 years respectively, I have made the following nominations: Curt Kandel to serve as Trustee Treasurer and Chris Nwonye to serve as Trustee Secretary. Curt and Chris are both long-term members of the parish.

Curt Kandel was a member of the Transition Team that helped to implement the parish transition when Blessed Savior parish was formed, and is a member of the parish choir and a Communion minister. He has a bachelor's degree in Public Accounting from UW-Whitewater. He has worked in Public Accounting for several years before starting his own company, Kandel Properties.

Chris Nwonye is a member of the parish Finance Council and serves as a lector and Communion minister. He also served as member of the pastoral councils both at Our Lady of Sorrows and at Blessed Savior. He graduated with a degree in Civil Engineering from Marquette University. He retired from the Milwaukee Metro Sewage district about six years ago and spends some time working on his side businesses. He is president of a number of community organizations including former president of The Nigerian Community in Milwaukee and current president of Ndigbo in Wisconsin.

The nomination process is now open. The guidelines stipulate that any additional nominations must be made in writing supported by 10 or more parish members. If there are other nominations, an election will be held. The winner becomes a trustee only if approved by the Archbishop. If there are no other nominations, Curt and Chris will become the new parish trustees.

A trustee candidate must be Catholic, registered, practicing member and at least 25 years old. Trustees serve a two-year renewable term with a reasonable limit of no more than six years. Trustees are members of the Parish Corporation Board of Directors and ex-official members of the parish pastoral council.

Thanks to Julia and Mark for their years of service to the parish as trustees.

Fr. Romanus



Father's belated 25th Jubilee Celebration is fast approaching. We will begin with the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, May 22, 2022 and continue the celebration with a luncheon in the parish hall after Mass at 10:30am. All are welcome to this wonderful celebration!

You may respond by mail, email to blessedsaviorRSVP@gmail.com or drop your RSVP card in the wooden box located in the Villard hallway. Extra response cards are provided.

Please respond whether you plan to attend or not. This will help the planning committee.

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, Mike Malloy, Barb Moroder, Ginny Naegele, Wayne Ring, Allan & Lorraine Rischman, Thomas Schmid, Sharon Tym, Joseph Valent, Andreas Wesslerle, 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.

Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

You have mail. New schedules will be in your mailbox on May 7.



Blessed Savior School

Open House

Join us on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 from 3-7pm

East Campus: 5140 N. 55th St.

South Campus: 4059 N. 64th St.

West Campus: 8545 W. Villard Ave.

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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.

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

Pastoral Council Officers:

Yolanda Coly, Chair
Simon Biagui, Vice-Chair
Denise Wesslerle, Secretary

Parish Trustees:

Julia Atkinson, Treasurer
Mark Kuchta, Secretary

School Website: www.blessedsaviorcatholicsschool.org

West Campus

8545 W. Villard Ave., 53225
414-464-5775

Sarah Radiske, Principal

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